KUPS wins mtvU Radio Woodie

The Sound voted top college radio station in the nation

Students running radio station KUPS rose to their feet with a cheer last Friday, as an MTV cameraman burst into the studio and celebrity New York disc jockey Matt Pinfield declared KUPS the winner of the “2009 Radio Woodie.” KUPS beat out about 300 of its peers as the top U.S. college radio station, garnering the most votes nationwide. The award recognizes college radio stations for their role in championing independent artists before they achieve mainstream success.

“We want to thank the listeners and everyone in Tacoma, and all the DJs and staff and everyone that got us here,” said Carmen Bria ’10, general manager of KUPS, as he held the trophy. “We put a lot of work into this. It just goes to show that though we are a small station, we’ve got a lot of heart.”

Video of the trophy presentation in the KUPS studio will be aired alongside the “2009 mtvU Woodie Awards” ceremony in a broadcast at 10 p.m. (ET and PST), Friday, Dec. 4, on mtvU, MTV, MTV2, and Palladia.

More than three million votes for the Radio Woodie were cast via RateMyProfessors.com.

Stations were nominated for the award based on accolades or recognition in contests run by CMJ College Radio and The Princeton Review, as well as from online votes and questionnaires completed by record labels.

KUPS broadcasts 24 hours a day, seven days week, on the dial at 90.1 FM and online at kups.net. More than 100 volunteers and paid student staff members operate KUPS throughout the year.

Save the Date!

The 2010 National Race and Pedagogy Conference will be held at Puget Sound Oct. 28–30, 2010. Planning is underway. Visit www.pugetsound.edu/raceandpedagogy for details. If you’re interested in participating in and contributing to the conference planning process, send an e-mail message to raceandpedagogy@pugetsound.edu.
Puget Sound students to host small business expo

Saturday, Nov. 21, 9 a.m.–noon, Rasmussen Rotunda, WSC

A small business expo that aims to help small and minority-owned South Sound businesses obtain information on development resources and to network with other local firms will be held tomorrow, Nov. 21 from 9 a.m. to noon, in Rasmussen Rotunda. The event was organized by students and faculty from the School of Business and Leadership.

The success of small and minority-owned businesses is critical to a strong and prosperous local economy. Small businesses account for a significant portion of economic development and job creation in Washington state. Yet many find growth challenging, citing financing, capabilities in marketing and business planning, and the ability to secure contracts as necessary to their continued growth and success. Local men and women who are starting or growing a business will have a chance to meet and hear from representatives from area lending institutions, business development centers, and government agencies at the first-time event.

For more information, visit www.pugetsound.edu/businessexpo09 or call x3390.

Puget Sound ranks in top 20 colleges for study abroad

The national Open Doors 2009 survey from the Institute of International Education reported that Puget Sound ranks in the top 20 U.S. baccalaureate institutions for study abroad, both in terms of the number of students who studied abroad for a full academic year and the number involved over one semester. In both scenarios Puget Sound ranked number 18 and was the only Washington state institution in the top 20.

"Students come back from study abroad with a new and far more personal perspective on the culture, economics, politics, and philosophy of people living in countries overseas,” said Jannie Meisberger, director of international programs at Puget Sound. “The value derived from these academic inquiries and experiences has long been appreciated by Puget Sound, as reflected in the wide variety of study abroad opportunities we offer.”

Puget Sound is the only liberal arts college to offer a nine-month study tour of Asia, an event that takes place every three years. More than 40 percent of the college’s undergraduate students spend some time studying abroad.

2009 Art Students Annual juried by Nicholas Nyland

Monday, Nov. 30–Saturday, Dec. 12, Kittredge Gallery

A longstanding tradition for the art department, the Art Students Annual invites any student currently enrolled at Puget Sound who has taken a studio class on campus or in a study abroad program to enter the show. The exhibit will run from Monday, Nov. 30, through Saturday, Dec. 12, with an opening reception Wednesday, Dec. 2, from 4 to 6:30 p.m. Merit awards donated by local art-related businesses and institutions will be presented at 6 p.m. The reception is free and open to the public.

Generally artwork submitted for Art Students Annual was created as part of class assignments or independent studies supervised by art faculty. The show presents an intriguing range of problem-solving approaches in a variety of media. The juror for this year’s exhibition is Nicholas Nyland, visual artist and public art planner for Pierce County Arts and Cultural Services Division.

For more information about upcoming exhibitions at Kittredge Gallery, visit www.pugetsound.edu/kittredge.xml.

Remind students to enter the Writing Excellence Awards contest

Any student who has written a paper for a course taken during the spring, summer, or fall 2009 semesters is eligible to enter the Writing Excellence Awards contest. Prizes of $250 each will be awarded in six categories: humanities, natural sciences and mathematics, social sciences, Connections core, freshman seminars, and graduate programs.

Entry forms are available in the Center for Writing, Learning, and Teaching, Howarth 105/109, and online at www.pugetsound.edu/writingswards. Forms and papers must be submitted to the Center for Writing, Learning, and Teaching by 5 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 28, 2010.

Abby Williams Hill papers on display


Collins Memorial Library will host an exhibit of the personal papers of artist Abby Williams Hill through the holiday season. "Cut Out for the Wilds: The Collected Papers of Artist and Activist Abby Williams Hill" will be on display through Jan. 5, 2010.

Abby Williams Hill (1861–1943) was a Tacoma-based painter and activist widely recognized for her paintings of the North Cascades and western national parks. Less well known, but equally important, are her papers. She was an astute observer of her time; her letters, diaries, and daybooks paint a rich and personal picture of American life between the Civil War and World War II. The exhibit will include writings of Hill’s family, as well as photographs and the debut of an installation of Hill’s paintings in the library’s reading room.

The Abby Williams Hill Collection was donated to University of Puget Sound in the decades following Hill’s death in 1943. Many of the paintings are on display in Jones Hall and other locations on campus. The Hill papers reside in the archives room of Collins Memorial Library. For more information visit: www.pugetsound.edu/abby-williams-hill-collection.

Last day for Food for Fines

Sunday, Nov. 22, is the last day to pay off your campus library fines with canned goods. One can equals $1 in forgiven fines. The program is sponsored by Collins Memorial Library and the Office of Spirituality, Service, and Social Justice. Contact the library for more details.

Remember to turn in your benefits forms by Nov. 30!
Puget Sound Family and Foundation pledge $3.5 million
Puget Sound trustee invests in Center for Health Sciences

Puget Sound received a $3.5 million commitment from Robert and Rebecca Pohlad P'07 and the Pohlad Family Foundation toward the design and construction of the Center for Health Sciences.

The centerpiece of the college’s 20-year master plan for campus development, Center for Health Sciences lies at the core of the academic strategic plan. The new building is being designed by Bohlin Cywinski Jackson of Seattle. Construction is expected to begin in spring 2010. The facility will be located at the south end of campus, along N. 11th Street, with convenient access for clinic patients who are served by students in the occupational and physical therapy programs. Combined with the Commencement Walk landscape element in the master plan, the center will tie together the north and south sections of campus.

“Becky and I consider it a privilege to be a part, along with many others, of building upon what is already a unique and excellent school,” Robert Pohlad said. “The Center for Health Sciences will further strengthen Puget Sound as one of the truly excellent liberal arts colleges.”

Prof. James Evans to speak at Daedalus Dinner

Wednesday, Dec. 2, 6 p.m., Murray Boardroom, WSC

The second Daedalus Dinner of the semester will be on Wednesday, Dec. 2, at 6 p.m., in Murray Boardroom. Professor of Physics and Director of Science, Technology, and Society James Evans will discuss the history of the antikythera mechanism, a gearwork calculating machine built in the second century B.C.E., lost in a shipwreck around 80 B.C.E., and recovered in 1901. Evans will explain the mechanism’s purpose and discuss how it built bridges between the ancient disciplines of astronomy, mathematics, and mechanics, as well as the recent work of Puget Sound’s antikythera mechanism research group.

The Puget Sound Daedalus Society hosts Daedalus Dinners twice a semester. Dinners are open to faculty and staff members, who are encouraged to bring interested students as their guests. The evening begins with hors d’oeuvres and wine, followed by the presentation, a catered buffet dinner, coffee, dessert, and discussion. Reservations are $15 per person, and must be made by Wednesday, Nov. 25, on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information or to make reservations, please call 253.879.3207.

Noteworthy

Rob Beezer, professor of math and computer science, presented “Open Textbooks From an Author’s Perspective” at Pacific University’s Sustainable Scholarships Conference.

Chair of the Board of Trustees Deanna W. Oppenheimer ’80, P’11 has been promoted from head of UK retail banking to vice chair of global retail banking at Barclays Bank.

A proposal by Professor and Dean of the School of Education John Woodward, Associate Professor Amy Ryken, and Director of Educational Technology Cindy Riche was accepted by the Educause Learning Initiative for its annual meeting in January 2010. The proposal, “Enhancing Professional Identity Development Through the Use of Social Media,” involved collaboration from faculty and staff in Technology Services.

Please submit Noteworthy accomplishments to online@pugetsound.edu.

Look who’s talking!

Puget Sound in the news

“Truth and Consequences: One Man’s Fight to Openly Serve His Country,” an ASUPS Lectures and Diversity Theme Year event, was the subject of a front-page story in Seattle Gay News. The event also was featured in a piece by Seattle Post-Intelligencer columnist Joel Connelly, and in blogs for Examiner.com (written by recent graduate Colin Cronin ’09) and The News Tribune.

The Arts Symposium at Puget Sound was featured as a highlight of Art at Work Month in Tacoma Weekly, and was previewed in the Weekly Volcano blog.

Assistant Professor of Geology Kena Fox-Dobbs was credited with research in a report about the “man-eating lions of Tsavo” that terrorized a railroad camp in Kenya, in an online story in Science Daily.

Peter Hodum, visiting assistant professor of biology, was quoted in The Guardian and The Independent newspapers in the United Kingdom, in features on threats to the biodiversity of the Juan Fernandez archipelago off Chile, which includes Robinson Crusoe Island.

A talk by Associate Professor of English Priti Joshi about British classics held at Franke Tobey Jones’ parlor was the “pick of the day” for Art at Work Month by Weekly Volcano.

The awarding of mtvU’s 2009 Radio Woodie trophy to KUPS was featured in The News Tribune and its blog, Tacoma Rock City, as well as in the blogs of Exit133.com, Weekly Volcano, and Business Weekly.

Technorati.com rated Professor of International Political Economy Mike Veseth’s blog, The Wine Economist, as one of the top 100 “food” blogs and as the second fastest riser in its ratings.

Wide receiver Ross Zuhl ’13 was named Player of the Week by Fox Q13 Television after he put on a record-setting performance for the Loggers on Saturday, Oct. 31.

To receive monthly updates of Puget Sound press coverage, contact the media relations office at mediarelations@pugetsound.edu or x2611.
Calendar

THROUGH JAN. 5, 2010
Cut Out for the Wilds: The Collected Papers of Artist and Activist Abby Williams Hill
Collins Memorial Library

FRIDAY, NOV. 20, 7:30 P.M.
Ubiquitous They Sketch Comedy: We’re All Here to Kill Sean Connery
Rausch Auditorium, McIntyre 003
Suggested donations: $3; arrive early for preshow improv and to snag a seat

FRIDAY, NOV. 20, 8 P.M.
Men’s Basketball vs. UC Santa Cruz
Memorial Fieldhouse

SATURDAY, NOV. 21, 9 A.M.–NOON
Small Business Expo
Rasmussen Rotunda, WSC

SATURDAY, NOV. 21
6 p.m.: Women’s Basketball vs. Menlo
8 p.m.: Men’s Basketball vs. Wisconsin
Stevens Point
Memorial Fieldhouse

SATURDAY, NOV. 21, 7:30 P.M.
Student Chamber Concert
Schneebeck Concert Hall

SUNDAY, NOV. 22
8 p.m.: Men’s Basketball vs. UC Santa Cruz
Kilworth Memorial Chapel

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 25
NEW LIGHT CELEBRATION
Rasmussen Rotunda, WSC
Tickets: $4.50 for faculty and staff; FREE for Puget Sound students
Tickets: $2 at the door only; different shows every night

TUESDAY, DEC. 1, NOON
Noon Recital Series: Student Recital
Trimble Forum

TUESDAY, DEC. 1, NOON
Logger Lunch
Room 101, WSC

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 2, 1 P.M.
Economics Brown Bag Seminar:
Creating Property Rights vs. Creating Efficient Markets: Experiments in Mechanism Design
Garrett Milam, economics
Mcintyre 305

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 2, 6 P.M.
Daedalus Dinner: James Evans, physics and science, technology, and society
Murray Boardroom, WSC

THURSDAY, DEC. 3, 4 P.M.
Thompson Hall Science and Math Seminar:
Molecular Diagnostics: Applying Principles of Cancer Biology to Individualize Cancer Diagnosis and Therapy
Chuck Drescher, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center
Thompson 175

THURSDAY, DEC. 3, 6 P.M.
New Light Celebration
Rasmussen Rotunda, WSC
The annual New Light Celebration highlights various fall and winter holidays observed by the diverse spiritual and religious communities that are a part of Puget Sound. For more information, contact Dave Wright '96, dwright@pugetsound.edu.

FRIDAY, DEC. 4, 10 A.M.–2 P.M.
Staff Senate Bake Sale
Wheelock Student Center and Thompson Hall
Bring extra cash to get your goodies! Proceeds benefit the Staff Senate Book Scholarship Fund.

FRIDAY, DEC. 4, 12:05 P.M.
Organ at Noon
Joseph Adam, organ
Kilworth Memorial Chapel

FRIDAY, DEC. 4, 7:30 P.M.
Concert Band and Wind Ensemble:
Passport
Gerard Morris, conductor
Schneebeck Concert Hall

SATURDAY, DEC. 5, 7:30 P.M.
SUNDAY, DEC. 6, 2 P.M.
Adelphian Concert Choir: Light Everlasting:
Holiday Music From Many Lands and Cultures
Steven Zopfi, conductor
Schneebeck Concert Hall
Tickets: $4.50 for faculty and staff; FREE for Puget Sound students

SUNDAY, DEC. 6, 7 P.M.
Festival of Lessons and Carols
Kilworth Memorial Chapel
Readings and music for the holiday season

MONDAY, DEC. 7, 7:30 P.M.
Percussion Ensemble
Amy Putnam, director
Schneebeck Concert Hall

DEC. 7–9, 5:30 P.M.
Directing Class One Acts
Norton Clapp Theatre
Tickets: $2 at the door only; different shows every night

TUESDAY, DEC. 8, NOON
Noon Recital Series: Student Recital
Schneebeck Concert Hall

TUESDAY, DEC. 8, 7 P.M.
Banff Mountain Film Festival World Tour
Schneebeck Concert Hall
Tickets: $10+tax for campus community

TUESDAY, DEC. 8, 7:30 P.M.
Chorale and Dorian Singers: Snow on Snow
Anne Lyman, conductor
Kilworth Memorial Chapel

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 9, 9 A.M.–4 P.M.
TIAA-CREF Personal Financial Counseling Sessions
Collins Memorial Library, Shelmidine Room
Schedule your FREE one-hour consulting session by calling 800.732.8353 between 6 a.m. and 5 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 9, 1 P.M.
Economics Brown Bag Seminar:
The Transatlantic Competition Policy
Schism and the Political Goals of Antitrust
Ross Singleton, economics
Mcintyre 305

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 9, 6 P.M.
Women’s Basketball vs. St. Martin’s
Memorial Fieldhouse

THURSDAY, DEC. 10, 2 P.M.
Annual Holiday Reception Celebration with Ron and Mary Thomas for faculty and staff
Rasmussen Rotunda

FRIDAY, JAN. 15, 2010, 11:30 A.M.
36th Annual Staff Recognition Luncheon
Marshall Hall, WSC
Save the date!

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• Arts and Lectures at www.pugetsound.edu/artsandlectures
• Athletics at www.pugetsound.edu/athletics