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Puget Sound Association of Phi Beta Kappa

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Pulitzer Prize Winner to Speak

Thursday, April 26 at 11:30 AM, College Club, 505 Madison Str



David Horsey
Self Portrait

Two-time Pulitzer Prize winner, David Horsey will speak at our upcoming Spring Luncheon Thursday, April 26.

Horsey's distinctive style of editorial cartooning has brought many awards to him including Pulitzer Prizes in 1999 and 2003, and the National Press Foundation's Berryman Award for Cartoonist of the Year. Those of us from the University of Washington will appreciate that his BA was earned there and that he was editor of *The Daily*. As a Rotary foundation Scholar, he earned an MA in International Relations from the University of Kent at Canterbury (U.K.) *The UW Columns* magazine named him one of the 100 most notable alumni of the UW in the 20th Century. And he serves on the advisory board for the UW College of Arts and Sciences.

You can meet Mr. Horsey and hear his talk at our luncheon April 26, beginning at 11:30 a.m. at the College Club, 505 Madison in downtown Seattle, at the corner of Fifth Ave. and Madison. The menu will be salmon with a vegetarian alternative. Cost will be \$26. Please use the coupon at the end of this newsletter to send for your reservations. And please observe an April 12 deadline.

We will also be honoring five Pathfinder Award honorees and recent scholarship winners. (Details in an article on the back.)

Tour Olympic Sculpture Park

Saturday, May 19 at 12:45 or earlier,

You may have read about or even visited Seattle's newest park, which includes sculpture made for the site as well as some borrowed for it. Join other Phi Betes and friends for this year's spring tour, Saturday, May 19 at the Olympic Sculpture Park. To truly appreciate the stunning works of art, in addition to the unique Z-shaped layout, you'll want to take advantage of the knowledgeable docent who will lead us throughout, providing information about the artists, the pieces, and the newly planted trees. Arrive at the PACCAR Pavilion, Western Ave. and Broad Street, by 12:45, or even earlier to enjoy food from the cafe and/or to chat in a quiet area with other tour attendees.

RSVP by April 12 on the back page coupon. Cost is \$7. For more information, including parking, visit our website, www.psa-pbk.org and select "Activities" or

Kaffeeklatschers Explored Pipe Organs

Organ pipes, consoles, and their music – plus an abundance of coffee and food – made the February 10 Kaffeeklatsch truly memorable. Our host, Dr. Carl Dodrill, shared from his wealth of knowledge on the history, working, and maintenance of large pipe organs while the 16 guests were seated *within* an organ in his unique room where the music comes from antique pipes all around the listener.

A tour of Dr. Dodrill's shop revealed pipes and consoles under repair and a chance to look inside parts of this emperor of musical instruments. Dr. Dodrill's Organ Foundation uses the work of many volunteers to restore, reclaim, and rebuild just a few of these magnificent instruments, too many of which are falling into disrepair. Some can be heard and seen in churches and other public buildings in the Puget Sound area, where the Organ Foundation makes it possible for groups to enjoy the music they would not otherwise be able to afford.

Victor Scheffer Begins His Second Hundred Years

Even though he passed the 100-year mark just last November, with Victor Scheffer it isn't the numbers of years that count, but the ideas, the achievements, the work—all the things that have made him the kind of man he is. He has made a difference and is still working to change the world and the people in it. He has a very simple explanation for his longevity:

“Exercising my sense of wonder of the world has had an affect on my immune system, helping me attain my 100 years.”

Of course, he is the first to admit that good genes do no harm. A past president of this organization, Victor rarely misses our Spring Luncheon. We anticipate his attendance this year when we plan a special recognition of his years as a zoologist, naturalist, and loyal Phi Beta.

Five Pathfinders to be Honored at Spring Luncheon

The Pathfinder Award honors those who encourage others to seek new worlds to discover, pathways to explore, and untouched destinations to reach. We are pleased to announce the five recipients who will be honored at our Spring Luncheon on April 26.

Jeanne Ehrlichman Bluechel has introduced Seattle students to a world of great music through listening to and performing on instruments she has helped obtain for them.

Lori Matsukawa of KING 5 News is an award-winning anchor who has mentored young people interested in careers in journalism. She also works to encourage young people to go to school and stay the course to graduation.

Lee Moriwaki, an editor for the *Seattle Times*, has helped to spread the PBK message supporting a liberal education.

Andrea Lucero, a student at Evergreen High School and Highline Community College through Running Start, shares her time and talents as a volunteer in the community.

The *Washington State Holocaust Education Research Center* inspires teaching and learning for humanity through study of the Holocaust. For more information, visit our Web site at <http://www.psa-pbk.org>.

Chapter News

Delta News: University of Puget Sound

This semester one of the primary activities for the Delta Chapter of PBK at the University of Puget Sound will be initiating new student members. The ceremony is scheduled for Tuesday, April 24 from 5:00-6:30 PM at the home of UPS President Ron Thomas and his wife, Mary.

The chapter enjoyed two noteworthy activities already this year. A reception in late September celebrated its 20th anniversary. This was followed in late October by a Magee Address given by our own Julie Christoph, the title of which was "Little College on the Prairie: Exploring Relationships Between Personal Experience and Academic Inquiry."

Alpha News: University of Washington

You may detect some changes in UW's Alpha Chapter's strategic plan, but the chapter's vision and mission, "to be the leading honor society championing excellence

in the liberal arts and sciences at the UW" has not changed. With the hope of increasing membership yield rates, a combination of fee reductions and increased publicity will be employed and the chapter will continue outreach programs, including the "pizza luncheons" held in conjunction with UW Honors Program, at which a prominent member of the UW community speaks to the brightest undergraduates over an informal lunch.

The initiation ceremony is scheduled for June 7, 7:30 PM at the Hub Auditorium. Registration for new members starts at 6:30 PM. History Professor Tracy McKenzie will be addressing the initiates, their families, friends and other attendees. As the result of a spring review, 105 candidates have been selected and the chapter hopes to see many of them present.

If you would like to receive information and updates on events electronically, please provide your email address on this coupon.

EVENTS

Spring Luncheon, Thursday, April 26, 11:30 AM (RSVP by April 12)

Salmon _____ Vegetarian _____

Total due: number attending multiplied by \$26 = _____

Guest name(s) _____

Sculpture Park Tour Saturday, May 19, 12:45 AM (RSVP by Apr 12)

Total due: number attending multiplied by \$7 = _____

Guest name(s) _____

Topics, Places, Tour Ideas _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED

\$ _____ Spring Luncheon
\$ _____ Sculpture Park Tour
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The Last Word: Scholarships, New Tax Law, Speak Up

Ernest R. Stiefel Scholarships

The Ernest R. Stiefel Graduate Scholarships honor Ernie Stiefel, who has a long and distinguished history of serving PSA-PBK. Two awards of \$3,000 each will be made in 2007. New graduate students at the University of Washington or the University of Puget Sound who are also PBK members from UW or UPS are eligible to apply. The due date for UW students is June 18, 2007. If you or someone you know is interested, the Web site at www.psa-pbk.org/scholarships_awards.html has complete information about how to apply.

Undergraduate Scholarships

In support of one of its major objectives, the Association once again makes available undergraduate scholarships. For the academic year 2007/2008 it offers five such scholarships at \$1,500 each. Conditions and requirements are posted on our Web site.

New Tax Law

Take advantage of a new tax law to make contributions to the Puget Sound Association of Phi Beta Kappa.

Recent legislation passed by Congress permits individuals who are 70 1/2 years of age or older to make contributions in 2007 directly from their IRA's to qualified charities, such as the Puget Sound Association of Phi Beta Kappa.

The amount will not need to be reported as taxable income. Though there would be no deduction for a charitable donation for that amount, there are certain tax advantages for this donation which will benefit the donor.

Speak up! Let Your Thoughts Be Known

Do you have a favorite place or event that you think would be good for a tour or a kaffeeklatsch? Please let us know so we can make our future planning serve all our members.

Please include your ideas as you return the coupon at the end of this newsletter. Just write down topics, places, tours, and subjects of interest to you, in the space provided below or email activities@psa-pbk.org. Phi Betes' curiosity is unbounded. Give us a chance to satisfy yours.



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