



# The Key Connection

news & events

Puget Sound Association of Phi Beta Kappa



Professor  
Robert P. Ericksen

## Scholar to Speak on Anniversary of Kristallnacht Wednesday, November 12, 12:00 Noon, Red Lion, Bellevue

The second week of November marks the 70th anniversary of Kristallnacht, the Nazi destruction of Jewish stores and synagogues that is often taken as the start of the Holocaust. At our fall luncheon Wednesday, November 12, Robert P. Ericksen, the Kurt Mayer Professor of Holocaust Studies at Pacific Lutheran University, will speak on the topic “Good Germans and the Holocaust.” Professor Ericksen writes: “Throughout my career I have studied and written about two groups of Germans we might expect to label ‘good’: leaders in the Protestant church and professors in German universities. In this talk I will discuss the dearth of opposition to Hitler in churches and universities, the evidence of cooperation and support, and the ways in which both institutions tried to cover their tracks after 1945. Only in the 1980s did “Vergangenheitsbewältigung” (coming to terms with the past) gain traction in Germany.

Professor Ericksen earned his doctorate at the London School of Economics and Political Science. His writings include *Theologians Under Hitler* (Yale, 1985, basis for a PBS movie); *Betrayal: German Churches and the Holocaust* (Fortress, 1999), and over thirty articles. He gave the Meyerhoff Lecture at the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum in 2007.

The luncheon is set for Wednesday, November 12, at 12:00 noon at the Red Lion Hotel at 1121 Main Street, Bellevue. The cost is \$33 per person. Please fill out the attached coupon, which must be received no later than November 3.

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## Tour the Wing Luke Asian Museum

**Sunday, December 14, 1:15 PM, 719 South King St.**

Please join us for a one-hour, Historic Immersion Tour at the new Wing Luke Asian Museum, 719 South King Street in Seattle's International District on Sunday, December 14, at 1:15 pm. Journey with us into the past to view spaces where Asian-American pioneers lived, see what early businesses were like, and visit historic and living Family Associations. After the tour, we can gather at a local restaurant for a no-host, “dim sum” lunch. \$10.00 tour price includes museum admission. Members do not receive a discount. Reservations must be received no later than November 14. Tour space is limited, so send your reservations in early. Indicate whether you are interested in attending lunch. Be sure to include your phone number and email address with your reservation. For further information, please email Vivian Chun at [v-chun@hotmail.com](mailto:v-chun@hotmail.com) or phone 206-325-1507.

## More Information at [www.psa-pbk.org](http://www.psa-pbk.org)

Our web site has been updated and now includes a new series of *notable speeches*. We encourage you to read the first entry, the address given by Bobbe Bridge at the 2008 Spring Luncheon, Reflections of a Judge: Eight Years on the State Supreme Court. Our address remains [www.psa-pbk.org](http://www.psa-pbk.org).

**Tour Burke Museum & Henry Art Gallery**  
***Sunday, November 2, at 2:00 PM at the Burke Museum***

Members of PSA-PBK and their guests will have a special opportunity to tour up to three exhibits at two places on the University of Washington campus. At the Burke Museum, "The Last Polar Bear: Facing the Truth of a Warming World" presents over 40 large format color photographs. "Arctic Wings: Miracle of Migration" has powerful photographic images which tell the story of thousands of migrating birds. At the Henry Art Gallery, "Roman Holiday" features an array of images representing the famous sites of Rome. In between, we can meet in the Burke café for coffee and conversation. All facilities are open until 5:00. The cost is \$6.50 for the Burke Museum and \$7.50 to visit both the Burke and the Henry Art Gallery. Although UW staff, faculty and students with current Husky Cards can visit both for free, even if you have this card, do send your reservation anyway so we know to expect you. Your reservation should be received by October 22.

Meet Sunday November 2, at 2:00 pm inside the main entrance of the Burke Museum. Free parking is available adjacent to the museum which is located on the corner of 17th NE Avenue N.E. 45th St. See their website, [www.washington.edu/burkemuseum](http://www.washington.edu/burkemuseum), for a description of the exhibits, and a map with directions. For further information, please call Nancy Blase at 206-362-2999 or e-mail her at [nancy@blases.org](mailto:nancy@blases.org).

**Plan Ahead for *Lucy's Legacy: Hidden Treasures of Ethiopia***  
***Saturday, February 28, 2009 at 10:15 AM at the Pacific Science Center***

We have made arrangements for PSA-PBK group rates so you and your guests will have the extraordinary opportunity to observe Lucy, the oldest, most complete and best preserved adult fossil of any erect-walking human ancestor. In addition to this famous 3.2 million year-old hominid, additional artifacts spanning over 200,000 years will provide an excellent picture of Ethiopia, **Lucy's** homeland. As part of the experience you may choose to see the IMAX film "*Mystery of the Nile*" (47 minutes), which is highly recommended.

Since we will need to confirm and pay for the tickets by January 28, we ask that you respond with this newsletter's coupon January 15, 2009, at the latest. The tickets are \$17 for the exhibit only and \$22 for both the exhibit and IMAX.

Meet Saturday February 28, between 10:00 and 10:15 a.m. at the entrance to the Pacific Science Center. Our tour will start at 10:30; the IMAX film, at 12:30 p.m. Information is at [www.pacsci.org/lucy](http://www.pacsci.org/lucy). Any questions? Please call Nancy Blase at 206-362-2999 or e-mail her at [nancy@blases.org](mailto:nancy@blases.org).



***Myra Lupton to be Honored at Fall Luncheon***

Please join us at our Fall Luncheon on November 12, 2008 as we honor Myra Lupton for over 30 years of dedicated service on the PSA-PBK board. Myra is a past president and currently serves as the board secretary and is a member of the nominating, membership, and Pathfinder Award committees.

***The officers who serve your organization:***

Linda Willenberg, President; Gerald J. Oppenheimer, Vice President; Myra Lupton, Secretary; Daniel J. Leach, Treasurer; Ernest R. Stiefel, Assistant Treasurer.

Other trustees on the board: Redmond Barnett, Bobbe Bridge, Vivian Chun, Barbara Clinton, Kyle Coen, Kate Gunsul, Zev Handel, Karrin Klotz, Wilson O'Donnell, Margaret Palmquest, Louise Richards, Amy Ryken, Lisa Wood.

Non-board members who serve: Nancy Blase, Chuck Goldstein.

## **Chapter News**

### ***UW Alpha Chapter - Initiation and More***

The Washington Alpha Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa held its 2008 initiation ceremony June 12, 2008, in the Henry Art Gallery Auditorium on the University of Washington campus. A full list of 2008 invitees can be found at the chapter's website, [depts.washington.edu/uwpbk/](http://depts.washington.edu/uwpbk/). The invited speaker was UW Provost Phyllis Wise, who spoke on "The Challenge of Our Time: Saving Our Planet".

The chapter continues to focus attention on increasing the number of invited students who choose to become members. To that end we are working to improve the visibility of PBK on campus and to reduce financial obstacles to joining. Our chapter is one of 13 chosen to participate in National's "Parmele Program," which

provides resources to help chapters raise the percentage of invitation acceptances. We have applied for \$3,000 in Parmele funds that we will use to increase outreach to students through a variety of programs in the coming academic year. We have also secured funds from the UW President's Fund for Excellence, to be used to fully subsidize the initiation fee for all elected students who have financial need.

The chapter elected a new slate of officers at its annual meeting in May. The office holders for the 2008-09 academic year are:

President: Zev Handel  
Vice-President: Debra Glassman  
Secretary: Heather Clineschmidt  
Treasurer: Pam Stewart

### ***UPS Delta Chapter - PBK Magee address***

#### ***Caesar in Vietnam: Did Roman soldiers suffer from PTSD?***

Tuesday, November 11, 2008 4:30-5:30 p.m. Trimble Forum

Post-traumatic stress disorder made its first appearance in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders in 1980, partly as a result of the ongoing treatment of veterans from the Vietnam War. Amy E. Ryken, Ph.D. Associate Professor School of Education University of Puget Sound will address the question of whether we can read the modern world back upon the Romans. Did the Romans suffer PTSD? And if they did not experience it, why didn't they? In short, what things might lead us to suspect that PTSD is a universal danger for combatants, and what things might suggest instead that it is a more recent phenomenon that has little relevance to the Roman experience? Professor

Melchior will discuss some of the evidence pro and con on this matter and in the process will ponder a few of the many joys (and complexities) of relating past and present.

The Magee address was established in honor of John B. Magee, Professor of Philosophy and Religion and a driving force in establishing a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa at the University of Puget Sound in 1986.

For more information please contact Amy E. Ryken, School of Education University of Puget Sound 1500 North Warner #1051 Tacoma, WA 98416-1051 [aryken@ups.edu](mailto:aryken@ups.edu) [www2.ups.edu/faculty/aryken](http://www2.ups.edu/faculty/aryken) (253)879-2810 (phone) (253) 879-3926 (fax)

### ***Your President's Message***

It is my honor and pleasure to serve as your president. I hope to see you at our fall luncheon or one of the museum tours. I invite you to visit our updated website [www.psa-pbk.org](http://www.psa-pbk.org). We need your help to keep our Association strong. Our goal this year is to offer at least five undergraduate scholarships and two graduate study awards, in addition to our High School Book Awards and Pathfinder Awards. Your donations to the scholarship fund are appreciated. We also welcome your suggestions for future activities and luncheon speakers. Please contact me at [linda@willenbergs.com](mailto:linda@willenbergs.com) if you are interested in serving on our nominating, activities, or membership committees, or if you would like to be considered for a board position.

Linda Willenberg, president

Six Undergraduate Scholarships Awarded

Your support made it possible for us to award six undergraduate scholarships, at \$1,500 each, for the academic year 2008/2009. The successful applicants are, from the University of Puget Sound: Raphaela Haessler (International Political Economy), Elizabeth Kersey (Mathematics), Lauren Roles (Molecular & Cellular Biology) and from the University of Washington: Allison Moran (English), Ivan Panchenko (Political Science, Economics), Sterling Thomasen (English, Psychology).

55 Books Presented to Outstanding High School Graduates

Both public and private high schools in the Puget Sound area are invited each year to take part in our high school outreach/book award program which honors graduating seniors who exemplify Phi Beta Kappa's core values: intellectual honesty, broad interests, tolerance, understanding, and the growth of the spirit as well as the mind. These values are the same today as they were in 1776 when the Phi Beta Kappa was formed. At the same time, the program introduces Phi Beta Kappa and its ideals to those students whom we hope may be elected to Phi Beta Kappa in the future. Principals provide names of those students who best exemplify Phi Beta Kappa's core values and each student is awarded a book containing a special bookplate with the individual's name inscribed in calligraphy.

Last year the Association awarded a total of 55 books. The basic criteria for the book selection is that it be a work of non-fiction appropriate for a high school level reader, but also relevant for one entering college, whose subject matter is connected with a liberal education, but utilizing as its approach a scientific method and rational discourse, based on evidence underlying its assertions. Counties included in the program are Clallam, Grays Harbor, Island, Jefferson, King, Kitsap, Mason, Pierce, San Juan, Skagit, Snohomish, Thurston, and Whatcom.

Fall Luncheon, Wednesday, Nov 12, 11:45 AM (RSVP by Nov 3)

Burgundy Beef Tips \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_
Total due: number attending \_\_\_\_ at \$33.00 each.= \$\_\_\_\_\_
Guest name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL ENCLOSED
\$\_\_\_\_\_ Fall Luncheon
\$\_\_\_\_\_ Burke/Henry
\$\_\_\_\_\_ Wing Luke Museum
\$\_\_\_\_\_ Lucy's Legacy
\$\_\_\_\_\_ Scholarship Fund
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Burke/Henry, November 2, 2:00 PM (RSVP by Oct 22)

Burke Only \_\_\_\_ @ \$6.50 Burke & Henry \_\_\_\_ @ \$7.50 \_\_\_\_ UW free
Guest name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Total = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Wing Luke Museum, Sunday, Dec 14, 1:15 PM (RSVP by Nov 14)

# \_\_\_\_ attending tour at \$10 each = \$ \_\_\_\_ . # \_\_\_\_ attending lunch
Guest name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Total = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Lucy's Legacy, Saturday, Feb 28, 10:15 AM (RSVP by Jan 15)

Lucy only \_\_\_\_ at \$17 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_
Plus IMAX \_\_\_\_ at \$22 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total = \$ \_\_\_\_\_
Guest name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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