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2007-2008 President's Report

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President's Report

2007-08

Welcome from the President

Not many college presidents have the privilege of celebrating their institutions' 150th anniversaries. I have been fortunate to commemorate Linfield College's historic milestone this year with our students, faculty, staff, alumni, parents and friends. In this report of Linfield's achievements in 2007-08, its Sesquicentennial year is surely the headline story.

At 150, Linfield is thriving and growing. In some respects, we are the same Linfield that President Leonard Riley guided through its 50th anniversary in 1908. We remain a welcoming, egalitarian college that serves students from all economic classes. We emphasize the liberal arts, with a demonstrated commitment to excellence in scholarship and in the classroom. We blend the theoretical with the practical in ways that are at once inspirational and pragmatic.



Much has changed here. But change is the watchword for the future of American higher education, and for the future of Linfield College. Politics, society, business and science – all are spinning faster in a global vortex. For example, in an effort to enhance the institution's sustainability and to reduce our carbon footprint, I signed the American College and University Presidents Climate Commitment on Earth Day, April 22, 2008. Linfield's Advisory Committee on the Environment and Sustainability (ACES), a group composed of faculty, staff and students, studied the issue for six months and recommended that Linfield join more than 500 institutions in all 50 states in signing the statement. Our efforts on campus to recycle, design energy-efficient buildings, conserve water and energy and purchase locally grown foods express our hopes for the next 150 years – and beyond.

Of course, life presents some changes we mourn. On Jan. 8, 2008, our beloved Old Oak fell. It stood here long before there was a college, but it was an emblem with which we identified. In the coming year, we will discuss plans to use wood from the Old Oak, which we have carefully salvaged. But we will also talk about the future of our many young trees – and of our many young students.

Welcome to the 2007-08 President's Report, presented for the first time as a series of linked web pages. We are proud of our efforts and accomplishments during this historic year. As you scan these pages, I think you will see why.

Best regards,

Thomas L. Hellie
President



President's Report

Academic Achievements in 2007-08

Introduction



In 2007, the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching included Linfield College in its new classification, Baccalaureate Colleges – Arts & Sciences, which groups Linfield with the nation's best liberal arts colleges. Linfield was named a top producer of Fulbright awards for bachelor's institutions in the Chronicle of Higher Education last year. Since 1999, 16 Linfield College students have received Fulbright awards supporting study, research and teaching opportunities around the world. Last year, the Institute of International Education announced that Linfield ranked 11th out of all

baccalaureate institutions for undergraduate participation in study abroad programs. See the results at [The Institute of International Education](#). Nearly 60 percent of Linfield students study abroad during their years at the college, a number that demonstrates our institutional commitment to the importance of global education.

"At Linfield, there's not a wall between professor and student. I help students develop and grow into somebody they might not have become at a larger institution."

- Kay Livesay, associate professor of psychology



New faculty

appointments

Patrick Cottrell, assistant professor of political science
 Melissa Fredette, visiting instructor in psychology
 Gennie Harris, assistant professor of education
 Karen Maxwell, visiting assistant professor of nursing
 John Syring, assistant professor of biology
 Tom Hirons, visiting assistant professor of business
 J. Michael Leahy, visiting associate professor of health sciences
 Seth Tichener, visiting instructor of philosophy
 Christopher Wilson, visiting assistant professor of chemistry
 Elisha Wood-Charlson, visiting assistant professor of biology
 Laura Rodgers, professor of nursing

Tenure awarded and promoted to associate professor

Jennifer Heath, physics

Jennifer Linder, psychology
 Brad Thompson, mass communication
 Tanya Tompkins, psychology
 Charles Dunn, mathematics
 Reshmi Dutt-Ballerstadt, English

Faculty sabbaticals awarded

Lee Bakner, professor of psychology
 Peter Buckingham, professor of history
 James Diamond, professor of chemistry
 Nancy Drickey, associate professor of education
 Charles Dunn, associate professor of mathematics
 Janet Gupton, associate professor of theatre
 Cheryl Langford, associate professor of nursing
 Gwen Leonard, professor of music
 Tara Lepp, professor of health and human performance
 Jennifer Linder, associate professor of psychology
 Mary Lee Nitschke, professor of psychology
 Nils Lou, professor of art and visual culture
 Carol McCulley, associate professor, reference and distance librarian
 Jennifer Nordstrom, associate professor of mathematics
 Amy Orr, associate professor of sociology
 Jeff Peterson, associate professor of sociology
 Peter Richardson, professor of German
 Scott Smith, associate professor of history
 Jeffrey Summers, professor of economics

Retirements

- Linda Olds, professor of psychology, 33 years of service
- Howard Leichter, professor of political science, 28 years of service
- Kareen Sturgeon, professor of biology, 27 years of service

More about these professors on page 9 of the [Summer 2008 edition of the *Linfield Magazine*](#).

Awards and honors

- Nancy Drickey, associate professor of education, Fulbright Award, Teacher Education Administrators Program to India
- William Apel, professor of religious studies, Louise Hunderup Religious Education Award, Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon
- Tara Lepp, professor of health and human performance, National Athletic Trainers Association Service Award, College/University Division III Head Athletic Trainer of the Year
- Peter Richardson, professor of German, Edith Green Distinguished Professorship
- Jennifer Linder, associate professor of psychology, Samuel H. Graf Faculty Achievement Award
- Brian Winkenweder, assistant professor of art and visual culture, Allen and Pat Kelley Faculty Scholar Award



Faculty books

- Sandra Lee, professor of English as a second language, co-author *Seeing the Big Picture: A Cinematic Approach to Understanding Cultures in America*
- Randy Grant, professor of economics, co-author *The Economics of Intercollegiate Sports*
- Chris Keaveney, associate professor of Japanese, *Beyond Brushtalk: Sino-Japanese Literary*

Exchange in the Interwar Period, 1919-1937

- Brenda DeVore Marshall, professor of theatre and communication arts, co-author *Telling Political Lives: The Rhetorical Autobiographies of Women Leaders in the United States*
- Bill Apel, professor of religion, *Signs of Peace: The Interfaith Letters of Thomas Merton*


New academic programs

Electronic arts, which explores the use of artistic media utilizing rapidly evolving technology as a means of self-expression and communication, became the 45th major at Linfield.

International programs

- Institute of International Education ranked Linfield 11th among baccalaureate institutions for undergraduate participation
- Students traveled overseas to participate in courses such as Environmental Ethics in the Galapagos, Traditional and Modern Health Care in Southeast Asia and Post-Apartheid Development and Environmental Economics of South Africa

Student awards

-  Martin Bode '08, Fulbright Award for student and research at the Institute of Space Systems in Stuttgart, Germany, the 16th Linfield graduate to receive a Fulbright since 1999
- Morgan St. Jean '09, Best Speaker Award, "Crossing Borders: Issues and Resolutions," Consulate General of Canada
- Julianne Upton '11, one of 20 selected for the Carleton College Summer Mathematics Program for Women, a National Science Foundation program to encourage and support women in the study of mathematics

Faculty/student collaborative research

An average of 250 students, representing half of the academic departments on campus, travel to professional conferences and competitions each year (more information available on page 13 of the Summer 2008 edition of the *Linfield Magazine*). Two examples include:

- Keston Obendor '08 and Nathan Oliver '09 attended the Pacific Northwest Regional Intercollegiate Programming Competition, University of Washington
- Karen Shaw '08, Chris Braden '08 and Jennifer Johnson '09 presented research at the American Society of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, San Diego, Calif.

More on [academics](#) at Linfield College



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Athletics in 2007-08

Introduction



Linfield's athletic history dates back more than 100 years to 1896, when the first football team took the field. Overall, the school holds seven national championships – the most recent in 2007 – as well as countless conference trophies. The [football program](#) is nationally renowned for its string of [consecutive winning seasons](#), which now stands at 52.

Athletes at Linfield

Intercollegiate varsity athletic teams	19
Number of intercollegiate athletes	420+
Percentage of athletes on Dean's List	14%
Percentage of students in intercollegiate athletics	25%

Championships standings

- [Baseball](#): NWC champions, NCAA regional champions, advanced to NCAA finals
- [Softball](#): NWC champions, advanced to NCAA regionals
- [Swimming](#): Two swimmers advanced to NCAA finals
- [Track and field](#): Two athletes placed third and sixth at NCAA championships
- [Men's golf](#): First NWC title in 44 years, placed 17th at NCAA championships
- [Women's tennis](#): Seventh NWC title, second appearance at NCAA championships

Athletic academic honors

- Casey Stepan '08, ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District and All-America women's track & field/cross country first team, College Sports Information Directors of America
- Softball player Brittany Miller '09 and baseball players Jordan Boustead '08 and Cory Ellis '09, ESPN The Magazine CoSIDA Academic All-District first team



"Being an athlete has kept me on track in school. I've found that when I'm playing soccer and (running) track it keeps me from procrastinating. I know that I have to get my homework done because I won't have time later. It's definitely helped my time management skills."



- Kate Franklin '09

More on [athletics](#) at
Linfield.



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Student Achievement in 2007-08

Introduction



Linfield's unique mix of liberal arts and professional programs provides a strong preparation for life and career and helps students find their calling through professional and practical opportunities. One-third of Linfield graduates completed an internship for credit, enhancing their classroom learning with hands-on experience. More than 300 students participated in [community service activities](#) in local, national and international settings. Typically, more than 90 percent of Linfield graduates are employed or in graduate school within one year of graduation.

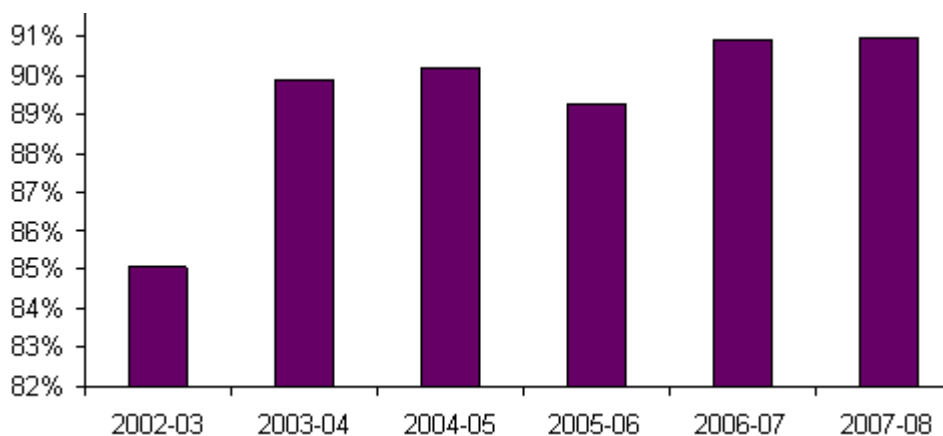


"Linfield is one of the best choices I have made in my life. As a first-generation college student from a lower middle-class family, I never imagined the valuable experiences Linfield had in store for me."

- Aaron Larsen '08, recipient of the Allen and Pat Kelley Achievement Award

students receiving financial aid from 2002-08

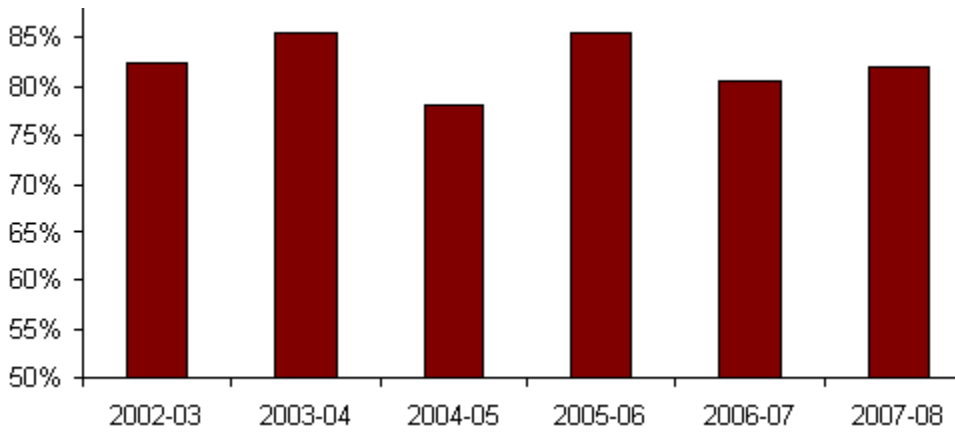
Percentage of



Student-to-faculty ratio	13:1
Percentage of students who studied abroad	58%
Total funds awarded in scholarships	\$15,318,039
Number of students in scholarship competition	280
Average financial aid award	\$20,954
Applications for admission	2,050

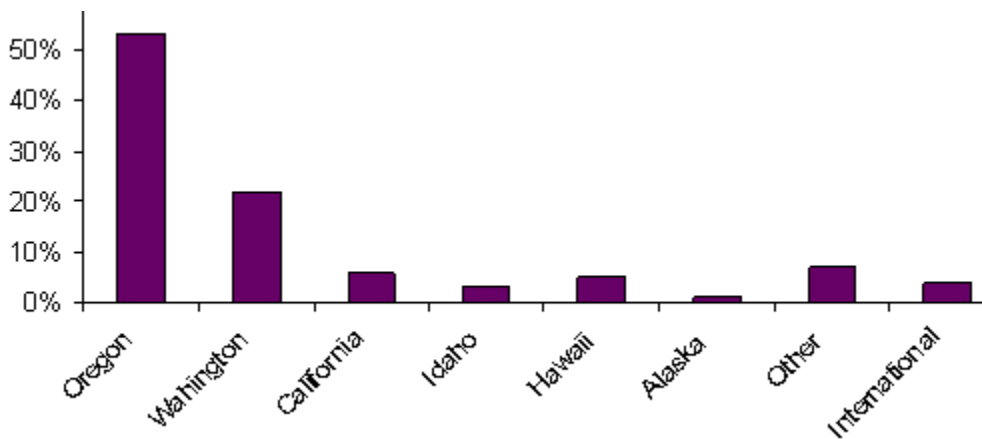
Freshman enrollment	476
Retention rate from freshman to sophomore year	81%

Freshman - sophomore retention rates between 2000-07



Transfer students enrolled	45
Average GPA of incoming freshmen	3.56
Average SAT score of incoming freshmen	1108
Number of incoming freshmen in top quarter of class	66%
Percentage of students who are legacy students	20%
Percentage of first-generation college students	22%
Number of students participating in community service activities	300, donating more than 19,500 hours
Percentage of multi-cultural students	15%
Percentage of out-of-state students	44%
Percentage of students from other countries	3%

Home states of incoming freshmen in 2007



More on [Linfield student life](#).



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Finances in 2007-08

Introduction

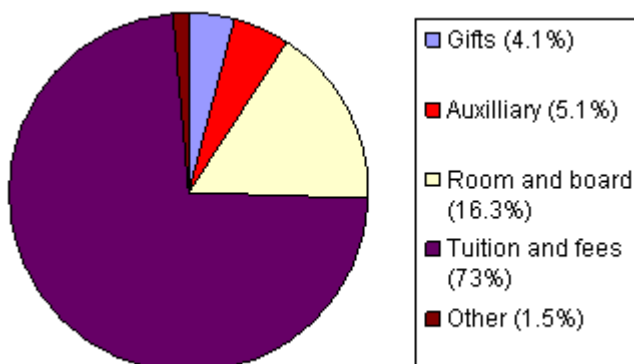


On June 30, 2008, for the 34th year in a row, Linfield College completed the fiscal year with a balanced budget. Through careful stewardship of funds provided through tuition and fees, room and board charges, annual gifts, endowment earnings, and the use of campus facilities for summer camps and conferences, we are able to offer an outstanding education at a competitive price. The financial reports below are based on preliminary figures.

Budget in 2007-08

Operating revenues (unaudited; audited figures available in fall)	\$49.1 million
Operating expenses (un-audited; audited figures available in fall)	\$48.4 million

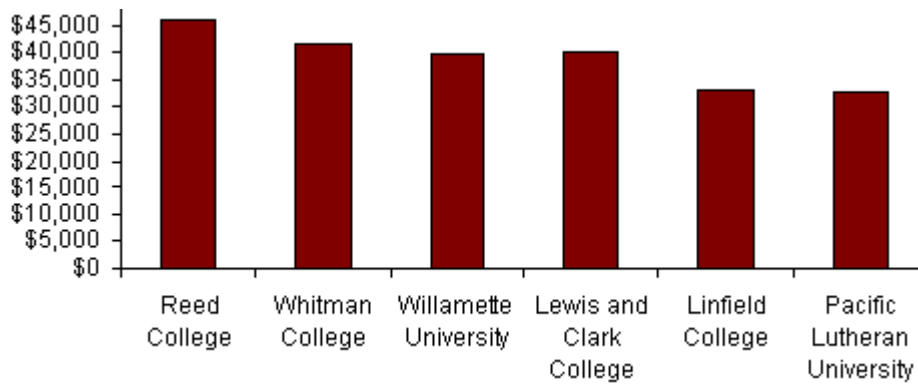
2007-08 Sources of Revenue (preliminary)



Student costs in 2007-08

Linfield tuition	\$25,644
Room and board	\$7,400

Total costs for selected private northwest institutions





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Philanthropy in 2007-08

Introduction



Thanks to the support of many alumni and friends, Linfield College completed one of the best fundraising years since the end of the Defining Moment campaign on June 30, 2008. Some \$4.1 million were received from living individuals and from organizations, along with a half million in received [bequests](#). Linfield was grateful to receive the largest gift commitment ever from a living donor, \$3 million from T.J. Day '71. Linfield contributors exceeded the 2007-08 goal for the [Linfield Fund for Excellence](#), our unrestricted giving fund that provides crucial support to the operating budget. Our generous

donors created 12 new endowed scholarship funds and established an endowed fund for faculty research. Linfield also received significant grant support for the renovation of Peterson Hall on the Portland Campus, which will allow us to increase enrollment in our nursing program there.

Linfield College expresses thanks to all financial contributors during fiscal year 2007-08 (July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008). View the 2007-08 [Honor Roll of Donors](#). Individuals with questions regarding their gift history may contact Gail Ward at 503-883-2546 or gward@linfield.edu.

"The value of supporting Linfield comes from seeing the creative success of all the programs at the college - the results are real, visible and exciting. I love being around energetic, mission-driven, smart young adults. Linfield is one place I can make a difference."

- Kerry Carmody '73, Kerry and Kristie Carmody Endowed Scholarship Fund



Types of gifts

Total gifts for all purposes in 2007-08	\$4,607,033
Estate and deferred gifts	\$603,424.31
Gifts to the endowment from organizations and living individuals	\$843,569.80
Total endowment as of June 30, 2008	\$71,146,092

[Honor Roll of Donors](#) 2007-08

More on [philanthropy at Linfield College](#)



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Volunteer Leadership in 2007-08

Introduction



More than 100 active volunteers work closely with Linfield College staff to advance our shared mission. They provide professional advice and counsel, oversee critical policy committees, and review the institution's progress on all fronts, from student recruiting and facilities management to academic innovation and fundraising campaigns. They serve as passionate ambassadors for Linfield and return frequently to campus to enjoy the company of our faculty, staff, students and – one another.

"I'm involved in the Parents Council Leadership Team because Linfield is a great school that can be even better, and I'd like to be involved in making it a life-changing experience for its students."

- Ann Kough, Chair, Parents Council Leadership Team



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2003, Associate Professor of Pediatrics, Oregon Health and Science University.

Portland, Oregon.

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2001, Chief Financial Officer, American Baptist Homes of the West. Pleasanton, California.

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1998, Chief Financial Officer, Columbia Steel Casting Co., Inc. Portland, Oregon.

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1972, Sr. Partner, Dacole Co. Reno, Nevada.

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1975, Retired Certified Public Accountant; DeLap, White, Caldwell & Croy, LLP. Oregon City, Oregon.

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2001, Vice President for Regions, K-12 Services and Solutions, The College Board. Duluth, Georgia.

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2005, Retired Teacher, Bend/LaPine School District. Bend, Oregon.

Kent Harrop

2002, Sr. Pastor, First Baptist Church. McMinnville, Oregon.

David C. Haugeberg

1982, Attorney at Law; Haugeberg, Rueter, Gowell, Fredricks, Higgins & McKeegan, PC. McMinnville, Oregon.



Thomas L. Hellie

2006, President, Linfield College, McMinnville, Oregon.

Richard E. Ice '52

1972, President Emeritus, American Baptist Homes of the West. Alameda, California.

Pamela L. Jacklin

2005, Attorney, Stoel Rives LLP. Portland, Oregon.

David R. Jubb '71

1994, Owner, Jubb & Co. LLC. Vancouver, Washington.

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1993, Retired, Intel Corporation. Hillsboro, Oregon.

Ronni Lacroute

2007, Proprietor, Willakenzie Estate Winery. Yamhill, Oregon.

Ron Lane '65

1998, Retired Senior Operations Advisor, Lexus of Portland. Portland, Oregon.

Gary F. Magnuson '73

2000, SVP, Wealth Management, Smith Barney, Seattle, Washington.

Michael G. McBride '72

1996, Independent Real Estate Developer. Twin Falls, Idaho.

Moe Momtazi

2002, President, Tecna Industries. McMinnville, Oregon.

Dawn Nowacki

2007, Professor of Political Science, Linfield College. McMinnville, Oregon.

Daniel O'Leary '86

2004, Associate Professor, Department of Chemistry, Pomona College. Claremont, California.

Timothy C. Phillips

2007, Pastor, University Baptist Church. Seattle, Washington.

Rodney Romney '54

1990, Retired Senior Minister, Seattle First Baptist Church. Seattle, Washington.

Debra Seifert '76

2003, Senior Communications Counsel, McClenahan Bruer Communications. Portland, Oregon.

Larry Sims

1993, Environmental Engineer, Redmond, Washington.

Delford M. Smith

1975, Founder, Owner and Chairman, Evergreen International Aviation. McMinnville, Oregon.

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1993, Retired Attorney, Stoel, Rives, LLP. Seattle, Washington.

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2002, Manager, RE/Max Real Estate Services. Huntington Beach, California.

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2004, Judge, Los Angeles Superior Court, Torrance, California.

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1989, Retired Pastor, First Baptist Church, McMinnville, Oregon.

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1990, Chairman of the Board, Withnell Dodge. Salem, Oregon.

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More on [alumni activities](#)

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