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Stephanie Lovell '08 and Kelly Copeland '08 prepare items for the time capsule that was buried beneath the Sesquicentennial Plaza. Items in the capsule, which will be opened for the college's bicentennial, include a piece of the Old Oak, a college catalog, *Linfield Magazine*, a theatre program, Forever stamps and a *Linfield Review*. For a complete listing go to:

http://www.support.linfield.edu/time_capsule



Will the real Linfield mission statement please stand up?

While "Always Beat Pacific Lutheran University" is a goal of Linfield College athletic teams, it really isn't the five-word mission statement of the college. A recent alumni survey asked a number of questions. Some of our favorite answers were:

What is the five-word mission statement of the college? Study hard and live well; To arm with weird knowledge; Your money makes us happy; Excellence in all we do (*Answer: Connecting Learning, Life, and Community*)

Which president has served the longest term? Charles U. Walker; Vivian A. Bull; Emanuel Northup; Mr. Melrose (*Answer: Leonard Riley and Harry Dillin. Northup was interim president; there is no Mr. Melrose*)

What was the mascot before we became the Wildcats? Kittens; Linnys; Missionaries; Oaks (*Answer: Baptists*)

Pencil Us In

Avenue Q / June 29

Join other Linfield alumni and friends for *Avenue Q*, the 2004 Tony Award winner for best musical, best score and best book, on Sunday, June 29, at 6:30 p.m. in Keller Auditorium in Portland. The comedy features a cast of smart and hilarious people and puppets. Not recommended for children under age 13.

Feed your focus / Sept. 24

Career strategist Kristine Oller '93 will present "Feeding Your Focus: How to Maximize the Time, Energy and Money You Have Right Now to Get Where You Want to Go" on Wednesday, Sept. 24, at 6:30 p.m. in Portland. Drawing upon insights gained during a decade spent guiding actors, musicians, writers, voice-over artists and other creative professionals, Oller will offer tools to evaluate opportunities, make decisions, build momentum and network efficiently and effectively.

Homecoming / Oct. 10-11

Mark your calendars now for Homecoming 2008, Oct. 10-11. Come home to Linfield and catch up with classmates and friends at one of many weekend events – alumni picnic, football game, class reunions, the annual celebration A Taste of Linfield's Finest and more. Reunions are planned for the classes of 1948, 1958, 1968, 1978, 1983, 1988 and 1998.

For more information, call the Alumni Office at 503-883-2607, alumni@linfield.edu or

www.linfield.edu/alumni



Calling class spirit

Team up with classmates to win two new alumni awards

Spirit of Linfield award: Class with the highest percentage of giving during 2008

Class Act award: Class with highest attendance at Homecoming

Winning classes will be announced at Homecoming. For more information, go to:

www.support.linfield.edu/class_awards





Linfield faculty, staff and students celebrated Tuition-Free Day April 24 with a trivia contest featuring questions about Linfield history, activities and charitable giving. Participants included, from left, Duncan Reid '10; Farshid Rafahi Shirpak '10; Dan Fergueson, director of college activities (not shown); Dave Hansen, vice president for student services; Brian Winkenweder, assistant professor of art history; Dawn Graff-Haight, professor of health education; and Bubba Lemon '11. Tuition-Free Day represents the point at which revenue from tuition and fees stops covering educational costs. Linfield tuition covers 83 percent of the actual cost of education, with the remainder paid for by gifts to the college.

Take pride in your Linfield

The last few weeks, I listened with pride as our softball and baseball teams represented us in regional and national competition. It is similar to the pride I feel when the theatre produces a high-quality production, when a student is awarded a Fulbright or when an alumnus receives an honor.

Why am I beaming with pride? I am not the one receiving the award or making the base hit, and yet those successes are every bit as exciting as my own. Each of us who is connected to Linfield has the sense of being a part of the whole Linfield community.

While filming the last campaign video, one of our alumni said, "To create something from scratch is a challenge, but to contribute to something that is good already, I think, is an opportunity that shouldn't be missed." I feel that way about the Linfield community. Each of us has had a part in shaping Linfield and its reputation. This really is a case where the whole is greater than the sum of its parts.

I hope you, like me, will continue to take pride in the accomplishments of our students, faculty, staff and alumni. I hope you will share with us your successes so we can celebrate with you, and I hope you will lend your time, treasures and talents when you can to make Linfield even stronger. After all, "It's your Linfield."

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