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Photographs of Joseph Medicine Crow receiving the Presidential Medal of Freedom dressed in his war bonnet ran in newspapers from coast-to-coast in August. And while the recognition is long overdue, few heard the details of the rich life he has lived or the contributions he has made in preserving history and culture of the Crow and other Plains Indians. The Battle at the Little Bighorn comes to life after talking with Joseph Medicine Crow '38, one of the few living connections to the battle, fought more than 133 years ago. We share some of his memories in this issue. He is just one of many amazing Linfield alumni, students, faculty and staff, who are conducting research, performing community service and enhancing the Linfield experience. We hope you share our pride in their achievements. We look forward to telling more stories about members of the Linfield family.

— *Mardi Mileham*

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(Madeline Marshall photo)

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