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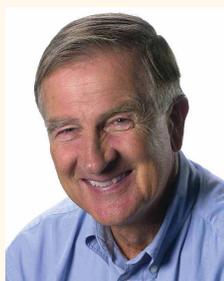
Vivian A. Bull
1992-2005

The few months since her retirement as Linfield College president have been anything but restful for Vivian Bull.

With her trademark energy, she continues flying coast-to-coast, consulting, mentoring and serving the greater community.

Bull is working with regional accreditation commissions and continues her affiliation with Africa University in Zimbabwe. She is an active member of the Board of Higher Education of the United Methodist Church, chairing the investment committee, serving on the University Senate and chairing an international peer evaluation committee. She has been nominated to chair the board for the WF Albright Institute of Archaeology in Jerusalem, where she chairs the investment committee. She is also mentoring some new presidents and a newly structured board of trustees.

Bull and husband, Robert, former director of the Drew Institute for Archaeological Research, are finishing up a number of archaeological projects and plan to return to Jerusalem to continue their work on publications.



Gordon C. Bjork
1968-1974

Gordon Bjork, Linfield's 16th president, accepted the position at age 32, moving his young family into the president's home in 1968.

After leaving Linfield in 1974, Bjork went on to a distinguished academic career at Claremont McKenna College in California, where he was

the first Jonathan B. Lovelace Professor of Economics and taught until his retirement in 2003. In addition to teaching, Bjork created BankSim, a commercial banking course for which he was twice honored by the Freedoms Foundation. Bjork was appointed to the Environmental Protection Agency's National Advisory Council on Environmental Policy and Technology. He is the author of four books on economics and has contributed to 10 others.

He and his wife, Susan, live in Santa Barbara, Calif., near their four children and eight grandchildren.

Cornelius H. Siemens served as interim president from 1974 to 1975. He died in 1978.



Charles U. Walker
1975-1992

Charles Walker has maintained an extraordinary commitment to community service since retiring.

During his 17 years as Linfield's leader, Walker built a reputation for community involvement, and his retirement has proven no different. He has been prominently involved in the Ford

Family Foundation, serving as vice chair of the board and helping to design the foundation's two major initiatives: the Ford Scholars Program and the Ford Institute for Community Building. He is now a special advisor to the board.

Walker is chair of the Oregon Cultural Trust, which makes grants to cultural organizations in addition to raising funds toward a \$200 million permanent endowment.

His interest in education led to Walker's involvement in the Chalkboard Project, designed to help strengthen K-12 education in Oregon. The project is run by Foundations for a Better Oregon, which he chairs, and is made up of the Ford Family Foundation, the Meyer Memorial Trust, the Collins Foundation, the Oregon Community Foundation and the JeldWen Foundation.

Walker, a classical music enthusiast, also started Neskowin Chamber Music in 1994 and combines his interest in international education and travel to lead tours around the world. He is president of his local library board, serves as a board member of the Tillamook County Futures Council and works as an evaluator for the National Endowment for the Humanities.



Winthrop W. Dolan
1968 and 1974

Win Dolan, professor emeritus of mathematics, took the reins of Linfield on two separate occasions, serving as interim president in 1968 and 1974.

Following his retirement from Linfield in 1974, Dolan continued teaching part-time for 10 years. He served on the Linfield Board of

Trustees until 1989 and since then as a trustee emeritus. He served on the housing authority, the school board budget committee and a county land-use committee. He appeared in more than 20 plays and musicals at McMinnville's Gallery Theatre. He also founded Pioneer Pantry, a senior lunch program backed by local churches, which operated prior to the opening of the McMinnville Senior Center. Throughout the years, Dolan has remained an active member of the First Baptist Church, singing in the choir for more than 50 years.