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Kruger elected board chair



Glenna (Foley) Kruger '68 is the new chair of the Board of Trustees. She and outgoing chair Richard E. Ice '52 were on hand to celebrate the success of the "Linfield – The Defining Moment" campaign during two events, one held on campus and a second held at the Multnomah Athletic Club in Portland.

Glenna (Foley) Kruger '68, a retired executive for Intel Corp., is the new chair of the Board of Trustees of Linfield College.

Kruger succeeds Richard E. Ice '52, retired president of the American Baptist Homes of the West in Oakland, Calif., who has served since 1994. Ice has been named chair emeritus and remains a member of the board.

Kruger has served on the Board of Trustees since 1982. She was previously vice chair of the board and chair of the compensation committee.

In addition to her Linfield degree in literature, Kruger also holds a bachelor's degree in management from Marylhurst College and a master's in management and communication from the University of Portland. Her 30-year career in human resources included roles as diverse as staffing, compensation, employee relations and organizational development. Kruger retired from Intel in 2003. She previously worked for Fred Meyer, Inc., and Kentrox, a division of Plantronics, Inc.

Students, local community to benefit from grants

Linfield students will benefit from three grants the college has received in recent months.

A \$200,000 grant from The Collins Foundation of Portland will help Linfield better harness technology to make new teaching techniques possible and improve the learning environment on campus. The grant will help the college launch an initiative to upgrade its classrooms by installing data projectors and electronic whiteboards and remodeling the spaces to reflect advances in learner-friendly design. It will also provide funds to hire an instructional technology specialist who will serve as a resource for faculty seeking new ways to enhance their teaching through technology.

The Multicultural Adoption Advisory Program, a community service program conducted by Linfield students and the college's Office of Multicultural Programs, has received a Public Service Outreach Grant of \$15,000 from the Greenhouse Program of the College Board in Atlanta, Ga.

The Multicultural Adoption Advisory Program was

developed by members of Linfield's Black Student Union (now the Multicultural Student Club). The program pairs students with families who have adopted multiracial children, providing a support system for both the children and their parents and helping both to appreciate the culture of the children's biological forebears.

Nancy Broshot, associate professor of biology at the Portland Campus, will return to Portland's renowned Forest Park to conduct field investigations of threats to conifer seedlings. A \$4,960 grant from the Oregon Department of Forestry under the Community Forestry Assistance Program will support the project which partners the Portland Campus with the Portland Parks and Recreation Department's Ivy Removal Project and Stewardship Program. A team of two Linfield students and four high school students will be selected to help with the research, which will begin in earnest this fall.

Accreditation granted, interim dean named

It's been a busy spring at the Linfield-Good Samaritan School of Nursing.

The school was granted accreditation for the next 10 years by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, the academic arm of the American Association of Colleges of Nursing. The school was in compliance with all standards and the commission made no recommendations.

Beverly Epeneter, associate professor of nursing, has been named interim dean. She replaces Brenda Smith, who resigned in April.

Epeneter, who has been a professor of nursing and vice chair of the School of Nursing, taught at the Good Samaritan Hospital School of Nursing prior to the establishment of the Linfield BSN program in 1983. She joined the Linfield faculty the following year. She has a BSN and MSN from Oregon Health and Science University and her Ed.D. from Portland State University.

Peggy Wros, associate professor of nursing, has been named associate dean of nursing. Wros has been a leader in curricular innovation in nursing on the Portland Campus and has been on the Linfield faculty since 1990.

Both appointments are for two-year terms. A national search for a permanent dean of nursing will be held during 2005-2006.



Teen Maze: 'Here Today ... Where Tomorrow?'

Nearly 600 eighth-graders successfully navigated a maze of teen challenges this spring, thanks to the guidance of Linfield College health education majors. The Yamhill County Teen Maze, held in April, resembled a life-size board game and featured 10 interactive stations touching on topics ranging from nutrition and eating disorders to substance abuse, communication and helping a friend in crisis. Kristen Snook '04, a health education and psychology major, coordinated the event as part of an internship with the Yamhill County Commission on Children and Families. More than 200 students from Linfield, the Sheridan Japanese School and McMinnville High School also assisted. The ultimate goal is to create healthy decision makers, Snook says. "More than anything, we think it is important to give teens skills and tools to use on their own."

Academy based on Portland Campus

Linfield's Portland Campus has been selected to host the Summer Enrichment Academy for Careers in Health (SEARCH) this summer.

SEARCH is an intensive six-week summer academy for 40-50 educationally and economically disadvantaged college-bound high school juniors and seniors from five Portland-area high schools. The academy provides college preparatory course work in chemistry, math, human biology and medical terminology. The students also complete coursework in reading, writing, study skills and cultural competence in health professions. They receive tutoring and mentoring from current college students. Participants are selected through a competitive application process.

SEARCH is sponsored by the Oregon Health Career Center through a grant from the Health Careers Opportunity Program of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Presidential search under way, committee appointed

A search committee has been appointed to begin the process of identifying candidates to succeed Vivian A. Bull as Linfield's president.

Bull, who was named Linfield's 18th president in 1992, has announced her retirement, effective June 30, 2005.

The search committee is composed of trustees, faculty, an administrator and a student. Eileen Bourassa, registrar, is the staff member for the committee, and Bruce Alton from Academic Search Consultation Service will assist with candidate screening.

Members of the search committee are: David Haugeberg, chair, trustee; Joan Austin, Dave Dillon '89, Michael McBride '72, Rodney Romney '54, and Glenna (Foley) Kruger '68 (ex-officio), trustees; Peter Richardson, professor of German; William Mackie '71, professor of physics; and Jan Selliken, associate professor of nursing, faculty; Bruce Wyatt, administration; and Melissa Galloway '06, student.

Information on the presidential search will be placed on the college's web site as it becomes available.