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For nearly 25 years, five students have silently endured rain, snow and summer sun. Thousands of people have walked past, posed for photos and sometimes just sat quietly next to them. A few mischievous onlookers have added bubbles to the fountain, but the five always kept the culprits' secret. Although usually called The People Fountain, the correct name of the memorial sculpture fountain between Dillin Hall and the Athletic Complex is "While I was a Student." It was dedicated Nov. 3, 1990, and honors seven people with ties to Linfield: Madeleine Amsden, a long-time friend of the college; Bernice G. Cofer '26; Frances Anderson Gulick '40, daughter of a former Linfield president; Ross McIntyre, a Portland business leader; J. Carl Reister '32; Jennifer Jean Smith '85 and Darin Alexander Worobey '87. While they are no longer with us, their spirits, represented by the five silent students and the fountain, remain a landmark on campus.

– Mardi Mileham photo

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