Alumni News

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Wildcat welcome wagons

Linfield College alumni rolled out the welcome wagons, Wildcat style, for 2010 graduates during a day-long blitz in three states. The Welcome to the Alumni parties, held June 27 at seven locations – McMinnville, Salem, Portland, Eugene, Bend, Seattle and San Francisco – ushered the latest Linfield graduates into the fold. Alumni of all ages reunited, networked and extended a warm greeting to the newest members of the Linfield Alumni Association.

Pencil us in

Washington, D.C., reception, July 11, 4 p.m.

Alumni in the greater Washington, D.C., area will roll out the Wildcat Welcome Wagon for Linfield’s class of 2010. Enjoy appetizers and network with other Wildcats in the area at James Hoban’s Irish Bar and Restaurant.

Pre-game BBQ, Sept. 25, 11:30 a.m.

SoCal fans can see the Wildcats against the University of LaVerne and fuel up before the game with fellow alumni and friends.

Homecoming, Oct. 15-16


PLU pre-game BBQ, Oct. 23, 11:30 a.m.

Join us for a pre-game cookout prior to the football game with our Northwest Conference rivals – the PLU Lutes.

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Mark your calendars

Homecoming, Oct. 15-16

Questions?

Contact the Alumni Relations Office at 503-883-2547, alumni@linfield.edu, or go to www.linfield.edu/homecoming
Alumni scholars named

The Alumni Leadership Council named five recipients for the 2010 Alumni Scholarship. Award winners include Max Milander ’14, son of Walter Garnet ’04; Derek Littlejohn ’14, grandson of Doug Littlejohn ’64; Brandon Lemerande ’14, brother of Melanie Lemerande ’08; Nicholas Fairhart ’14, son of George Fairhart ’84; and William Chou ’14, brother of Celeste Chou ’07. The Alumni Scholarship Fund was established in 1988-89 by the Linfield Alumni Association to provide financial aid to the children, grandchildren or siblings of alumni. Application deadline for 2011-12 scholarships is Feb. 1, 2011.

French Riviera, Nov. 3-10

Linfield alumni and friends will explore the French Riviera including Nice, St. Tropez, Monaco and Cannes. Stay in the same hotel for seven nights while taking day trips to destinations.

Guatemala home build, Jan. 8-23

Linfield alumni will travel to Guatemala to build homes with Habitat for Humanity, teaming up with Linfield’s Topics in Latin America January Term class with Jeff Peterson, associate professor of sociology and anthropology.

Australia, New Zealand, March 17-April 5

Explore lands down under from the Outback to the glaciers including such spots as Melbourne, Sydney, Christchurch, Queenstown and the Great Barrier Reef.

For more information on alumni events, contact Debbie (Hansen) Harmon ’90, director of alumni relations, 503-883-2607, or go to www.linfield.edu/alumni.

Personally connected

I am a huge sports fan or more specifically a Linfield sports fan. I did not play sports for Linfield, and I do not have an athletic bone in my body, so why the passion? I had a chance to be reminded of just that when I flew to Wisconsin in May to watch our softball team in their quest for the national title.

Part of what I like about Wildcat athletics is that I actually know the players. Unlike those who play in the pros or at large Division I schools, these are the students I see in the halls of Melrose or as I wait for my coffee in Riley. These are the students who babysit my son. Because of Linfield’s small, tight-knit community I know them and I am invested in their successes on the field.

I felt a sense of pride as our team held its own in a national arena. I felt a sense of belonging as the parents and grandparents of the players welcomed me into the fold. I felt a sense of accomplishment as these young women saw their hard work and dedication pay off in each game.

And at every turn, I witnessed firsthand the power of a small college – an amazing athletics staff who work hard to provide a great environment for all of our student-athletes; coaches who understand that the game is important, but that personal growth is more important; players who set aside their gear to clean up a park after the NCAA-hosted team picnic; alumni and friends who support the school and our athletes and make experiences like this possible.

If you are not a fan of Linfield athletics, I invite you to take in a softball game, or a basketball game or a tennis match and witness the power of a small college – it’s contagious.

Debbie (Hansen) Harmon ’90
Director of Alumni Relations with Rochelle Friend ’10
softball star