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Teaching students how to live

If you have built castles in the air, your work need not be lost; that is where they should be. Now put the foundations under them.

— Thomas L. Hellie

President

Our nation’s second President, John Adams, contended, “There are two types of education. One should teach us how to make a living, and the other how to live.” At Linfield College we strive to provide both forms of education, but the second is much more important than the first.

We just held commencement at Linfield. It was a glorious, sun-soaked day, with the largest number of graduates in the college’s history. Despite anxiety about the job market, students celebrated on the commencement green and in the Oak Grove. Graduates tearfully hugged faculty and expressed their thanks. Families cheered as their loved ones crossed the stage. There were wry comments about the unemployment rate and the economy, but the air was filled with optimism.

I don’t think the optimism was misplaced, for our graduates are prepared to make a living, and they have learned how to live. In some cases, they have been trained for specific professions — accounting, nursing or teaching for example. In other fields, they may not have been trained for a particular profession, but they have acquired the skills that will make them successful employees and leaders: they have learned how to think critically, to communicate clearly, and to work with others. In fact, liberal arts majors often find themselves prepared for a profession they never imagined when they first came to Linfield.

As Linfield has taken to reduce its carbon footprint through classroom projects and longrange planning, you’ll read how students learn to live their dreams, and endeavors to live the life which he has imagined, he will meet with a success of his dreams, and endeavors to live the life which he has imagined, he will meet with a success unexpected in common hours.

If one advances confidently in the direction of his dreams, and endeavors to live the life he has imagined, he will meet with a success unexpected in common hours. — Thomas L. Hellie

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On his father’s 20th anniversary of Linfield’s rich tradition of academic excellence, join us.

— Mardi Mileham

“A View from Melrose” has become the new catchword. But for many individuals, businesses and organizations, it is more than just a passing fad. In this issue, meet a student leader whose passion, lifestyle and future career take “green” to a new level. You will also learn about steps Linfield has taken to reduce its carbon footprint through classroom projects and long range planning. You’ll read how a student’s internship thrust him into the world of animation and the production of a major film. We introduce you to Dean Victoria McGillin and learn some of her views after her first 11 months at Linfield. You’ll get a look at some stunning views of Mount Kilimanjaro as we follow two alumni on a research expedition. And we say farewell to professors who are retiring after serving the college for many years. While this has been a challenging year for many in our community, we look ahead to continuing Linfield’s rich tradition of academic excellence. Join us.

— Mardi Mileham

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