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Last lecture

A retiring faculty member will share a special message during a final lecture to the Linfield community.

Bonnie Long, visiting instructor in business
Dec. 7, 7 p.m., 101 Taylor Hall

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