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Imagine a center that combines the liberal arts, professional studies and experiential learning with opportunities that spread far beyond the confines of the college setting.

Imagine a hall that houses diverse academic departments and invites conversation and collaboration among students and faculty. Imagine a class that could engage students and faculty. Imagine a class that could enhance undergraduate education by developing partnerships with business, public agencies and non-profits to provide opportunities for training, research and service learning. The center's goal is to establish long-term experiential learning practices with students that focus on local, regional and global intersections with the Pacific Northwest.

The Linfield Center for Regional Studies will enhance undergraduate education by developing partnerships with business, public agencies and non-profits to provide opportunities for training, research and service learning. The center's goal is to establish long-term experiential learning practices with students that focus on local, regional and global intersections with the Pacific Northwest.

Fund raising for the $11 million project is under way as a focus of the college's sesquicentennial.

2007 Alumni awards recipients

Walker Award: Marvin Henberg

Marvin Henberg may know more about Linfield’s history than any other living person. During the past year on sabbatical, he wrote the book Inspired Paganisms: An Illustrated History of Linfield College. Henberg, who has returned to the faculty as professor of philosophy, has served as chair, department chair, departmental conversations.

Outstanding Young Alumna: Susan Hyde ’00

Susan Hyde ’00 wants people around the world to have the opportunity to cast their votes in democratic elections – elections run with integrity. Hyde is in her second year as an assistant professor of political science at Yale University. She is affiliated with the MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies and the Institution for Social and Policy Studies.

Distinguished Alumnus Award: The Rev. Edwin “Jim” Simon ’67

Giving and sharing are concepts that the Rev. Jim Simon ’67 not only preaches but also demonstrates in his own life. Simon has served the American Baptist community for 38 years. Since 2000, he has been senior pastor at Aurora Hills Baptist Church in Colorado. Known for his interfaith activities, he has opened his church to meetings of other congregations, and he initiated weekly prayer time for local pastors. Simon has served on the American Baptist Church Rocky Mountain Region Policy Board. In July 2006, he literally gave of himself, donating a kidney to Linfield classmate Lee Paulson ’67. Simon received the Distinguished Alumnus Award, recognizing graduates’ professional leadership.

Alumni Service Award: Kathryn Karr ’88

If philanthropy is inherited, Kathryn Karr ’88 got that gene. She became a President’s Circle (formerly President’s Club) donor in 1998 at the urging of her mother, Nettie Karr, who has made annual gifts to Linfield for more than 30 years. Ten years after graduating, Karr’s mother loaned her $10,000 to help with the down payment on her first home.

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