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An artist’s rendering shows the exterior of the proposed new Northup Hall. The south entrance will be enhanced and expanded and a shaft through the center of the building will add light inside. Many of the original architectural features will be retained in the building, which was designed by architect Pato Balskus and built in 1936.

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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 house interactive classrooms that will meet the 21st-century educational needs for business students as well as other departments. Gathering areas for students and faculty will foster a sense of shared purpose and interdepartmental conversations.

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.

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

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**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 Pragmatism: An Illustrated History of Linfield College*. Henberg, who has returned to the faculty as professor of philosophy, has served in pivotal roles at the college: as vice president for academic affairs and dean of faculty, 1994-2005; and interim president, July 2005-April 2006. He has played a major role in shaping the college’s direction, including the adoption of a new curriculum in 1997. Henberg served as chairman of the planning council, which developed a strategic agenda to establish priorities and guide the college’s future growth and finances. He has received a Rhodes Scholarship, a Danforth Fellowship, Woodrow Wilson Fellowship and numerous teaching awards. For his many contributions, Henberg earned the Walker Award, presented to a non-alumnus in recognition of service to Linfield.

**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 Institute for Social and Policy Studies. Before joining Yale, she was a research fellow in governance studies at the Brookings Institution in Washington, D.C. Hyde’s research explores the effects of international democracy promotion efforts, focusing on international election observation. She has served as an international observer with the Carter Center and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe for elections in Albania, Indonesia and Venezuela.

**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. Instead of having Karr pay her back, she invited her to “pay it forward” in donations to Linfield College. In 2003 Karr was a founding member of the President’s Circle Leadership Team (PCLT) and in January 2007 became chair. The PCLT identifies and recruits leadership donors who contribute $1,000 or more to Linfield annually. Karr has given time as well as money over the years. She has called 100-plus donors and has served as a spokesperson, ambassador, event host and letter writer. Her efforts to increase charitable giving earned her the Alumni Service Award.

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