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Butler earns Grimes Award
Myrna Butler GSH ‘63, Linfield ’77 is this year’s recipient of the Lloydena Grimes Award for Excellence in Nursing.
Butler, an independent nurse consultant for Achieve-Mentors Inc. and Surgicount Medical, has displayed commitment to education during her nursing career. She has 43 years of progressive clinical and administrative experience in nearly all phases of nursing. She has worked in several hospitals including Good Samaritan Hospital and Albany General Hospital as well as with several doctors and participated in an outreach program in Guatemala in May 2003.
Butler has been a mentor and teacher for countless nurses throughout her career. She taught principles of perioperative nursing and developed curricula in that area. She has authored and presented numerous articles and papers and was a contributing author to Alexander’s Care of the Patient in Surgery. She has received many honors and awards for her work.

GSH
Carol (Bond) Liable GSH ’52 of Portland, April 15.
William “Billie” (White) Day GSH ’54 of Salem, June 29.

Friends and family
Jim Gilltrap, former assistant football coach, July 19.

An evening at Evergreen IMAX
Nearly 200 alumni and friends attended a special President’s Circle reception and dinner at the Evergreen Aviation and Space Museum IMAX 3D Theater in McMinnville. Among those attending were, clockwise from top right, Aaron Larson ’08 and Kallirone Henry ’83, Donna Woolley, trustee, and Mary Bates Anderson ’70; Susan Chambers, Craig Haisch ’95, and Dave Haugeberg, trustee; Kristie (Pouliot) Carmody ’83, Mike McBride ’71 and Karry Carmody ’73; Rosalind Turner and Flora Montazeri, trustee.

Got news?
Have you changed jobs? Received a promotion? Returned to school? Received another degree? Started a business? Did you get married or have a child in the last 12 months? If you have news for your classmates and other Linfield friends, visit us online. www.linfield.edu/alumni/

Singing her way across the country
Some might say Jazmin Gorsline ’99 has multiple personalities… and all of them love to sing.
Gorsline has played Lili in Carnival, Laurey in Oklahoma, Julie in Carousel and Luisa in The Fantasticks. Now as Eliza Doolittle, her persona has expanded yet again.
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Gorsline has performed steady all past few years. Her biggest break came this year, when she was cast as the star for the lead role of Lili in Carnival, Gorsline’s all-time favorite show, at The Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. My Fair Lady followed.

Jazmin Gorsline ’99, right, performs in the ensemble in “I Could have Danced All Night” during a production of lanner & loeave’s My Fair Lady. Also pictured, from left, are Dana Delisa and Lisa O’Hare.

Leonard is not surprised by Gorsline’s success. She said Gorsline performed graduate-level repertoire in her senior recital, a result of her self-motivation and creativity.
“’When Jazmin sings, there’s something unique about her tone that makes people listen,” Leonard said. “In terms of her intellect and talent, she was an outstanding singer, always interested in making what she was doing better.”

Although the tour of My Fair Lady is just getting started, Gorsline welcomes the exhausting activity and the exhilaration ahead.
“I think my favorite part will be exploring the different cities and seeing how different audiences respond to the show each night,” she said. “So far, audiences have been wonderful, and I’m very excited to look what lies ahead.”

- Laura Davis