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1950-59
Margaret (Poor) Dawson ’57 of Jonesboro, Ga., and her husband, Lewis, will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary.
Mary (Griffin) Anderson ’59 of Lakeview and her husband, James, celebrated their 80th birthdays.

1960-69
Bonnie (Judd) Bodtker ’60 of Albany is retired from teaching and has lived at the same address for 38 years.
James Bryant ’60 of Scio and his wife, Janet, have been married 50 years.
M. Kent Mayfield ’60 of Milwaukee, Wis., is artistic director for the Rural Musicians Theatre in Spring Green, where an upcoming concert series is scheduled for the Hillside Theatre at Frank Lloyd Wright’s legendary Taliesin estate. He recently appeared in The Gin Game.
Karen (Hintz) Howard ’62 of Ukiah, Calif., was inducted into the Del Norte High School Hall of Fame in Crescent City, Calif.
Alfreda (Pinther) Batdorff ’65 of Coos Bay is celebrating 35 years as a volunteer hospital chaplain and 60 years as an ordained minister.
Carol (Hendryx) Miner ’65 of Vancouver, Wash., and her husband, Bill, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in February.
Susan (Young) McGinty ’65 of Sacramento, Calif., received an honorary alumni award from California State University in Sacramento for her work as chair of the physical therapy department.
Jim Simon ’67 of Gilbert, Ariz., and his wife, Janet, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last June. They took a tour of the U.S., driving 42,000 miles.
Lyndel Meike ’68 of Deer Lodge, Mont., started a weekly radio history show titled The Back Trail.
Angela (Wells) Carlson ’69 of Firth, Idaho, directs a community orchestra called At First.

1970-79
Marilou (Graham) Smith ’71 and ’79 of Terrebonne recently retired from nursing.
James “Lee” Lambert ’72 of San Marcos, Calif., had an article published in the December 2015 issue of DECISION Magazine, “Steve McQueen’s Great Escape.” He was interviewed by the American Family Radio Network about his most recent book, 16 Amazing Stories.
Allen Jones ’74 of Jonesborough, Tenn., has a new job at Jarden, Inc.
Lucy (Lusk) Foster ’75 of Salem has been traveling since her retirement from teaching in the Salem Keizer Public Schools in 2011. Favorite locations have been Spain, Italy, France, China, Cambodia, Morocco, Peru, Mexico and Costa Rica, in addition to areas in the United States.
Marjorie (Reutter) Newman ’75 of Eagle River, Alaska, retired after teaching for 15 years in the Anchorage School District.
Curt Shepard ’78 of Beverly Hills, Calif., is chief of staff at the Hammer Museum at UCLA.
Robert Mack ’79 of San Jose, Calif., launched a new blog site, luvsgoodfood.com

1980-89
Bruce Dismore ’81 of El Segundo, Calif., owns Lakewood Kickboxing and had three amateur champions.
Peter Karpa ’81 of Grants Pass is deputy director and vocational rehabilitation counselor in the Oregon Department of Human Services.
Frank and Lesley (Vance) Mondeaux ’81 and ’87 live in Lake Oswego where Lesley is the executive director of the Northwest Mother’s Milk Bank.
Brian Williqueste ’87 of Longview, Wash., and his wife, Laura, had a child, Brynn, Nov. 20, 2014.
Marty Palacios ’89 of McMinnville completed a doctoral degree in educational leadership at George Fox University in May 2015. His dissertation was titled Stuck in the middle: a case study of middle school students displaying problematic behaviors and their perspectives regarding significant school-related issues.

1990-99
William Hughes ’91 of Beaverton received his doctor of ministry degree.
John Keller ’91 of Denver, Colo., and his wife had a child, Marit, April 18, 2014.
Matt and Sheila (McMahon) Zergast ’93 and ’92 of Tillamook owns Tillamook Coliseum Theatre.
Diana Ewing ’93 of Prineville is active in the community including serving on the Citizen Review Board and School Board.
T. Scott Miller ’93 of Smithsburg, Md., was appointed general manager of labor relations for the Maryland Department of Transportation. He will represent the department as the chief negotiator for all union collective bargaining agreements and will act as counsel and arbitrate on behalf of the department for all union and employee disputes.
Jennifer (Chandler) Montgomery ’94 of Bainbridge Island, Wash., is president and owner of Pacific Rim Ship Brokers.
Jennifer (Seeley) Boehmer ’95 of Portland published an article in the Jan. 22 issue of Community College Daily, “Galvanize employees through a big idea.”
Leonard Cook ’96 of Glen Allen, Va., retired.
Shaun Strong ’96 of McMinnville founded a new church called Oak Grove Community Church.
Virginia (Zander) Anderson ’97 of Portland is CEO of Verbio, a complete language service for business, marketing, financial, legal and technical content in every language.
Emily (Baker) Chadwick ’98 of McMinnville was selected as a summer scholar by the National Endowment for the Humanities and will spend a week at a workshop in Mississippi.
Mark and Gina (Sangalli) Doleski ’99 and ’00 of Portland are celebrating the first anniversary of opening Fortside Brewing in Vancouver, Wash.
Shelly (Giddings) Lev ’99 of Raymond, Wash., was promoted to an employee health nurse.
Duty to the Crown,
continuing story,
by Kensington Books in May. The
previously head of communications
for The Beer Institute. He was
D.C., is the communications direc-
Dan Roth '00
of Washington,
child April 29.
Kalispell, Mont., and his wife had a
Benjamin Dorrington '00
director at Green Vines.
Cara Pepper Day '00
was named head football coach
Joshua Dill '02
second.
had a son, Ellis, in February, their
Corvallis and her husband, Gabriel,
Emily (Laing) Merrell '01
Lookouts of Oregon.
published her second book,
Fire
of Milwaukie
of Portland was promoted to
Project Management Office at
Standard Insurance Co.
Graham Petersen '03
earned a Portland Business Journal
40 Under 40 Award, recognizing
accomplished professionals in the
region under 40 years of age. He is
a CPA and shareholder with Geffen
Mesher, a Portland CPA firm.
James and Dianna Sliker '03
of Oregon City were featured on
the television show Flip this House.
Joe O'Neill '04
of Sisters is the finance officer for the City
of Sisters.
Carol (Morneault) Alcock '05
of Arlington, Va., is a goddess manag-
er at Tu-Anh Boutique.
Andrew Kehoe '05
bought the company Power Advi-
sor, LLC.
Julia (Groff) Traylor '05
of Portland and her husband, Phil, had
a daughter, Emma June, Feb. 9.
Jon Wilson '05
earned a Portland Business Journal
40 Under 40 Award, recognizing
accomplished professionals in the
region under 40 years of age. He is
the chief financial officer of Radiys
Corporation, a Hillsboro-based
provider of software and hardware
infrastructure products.
Nicole (Hata) Bergquist '06
of Eagle, Idaho, and her husband, Jer-
emy, had twin daughters, Mabdux
and Braxtyn, May 21, 2015.
Kathryn (Lang) Kernan '06
of Eugene opened Kernan Family
Practice in January.
William Ratto and Christine
Atkinson, both '07, of Aurora had a
son, Jack, Jan. 12.
Scott and Leah (Caine) Bannon
'97 and '07 live in Salt Lake City,
Utah, where Leah works for the
George E. Wahlen Department
of Veteran Affairs Medical Center
as an advanced medical support
assistant.
Anthonette (Hardaway) Guy
'07 of Portland was promoted to
clinical research registered nurse at
Providence Hospital.
Megan Watts '07
of Denver,
Colo., completed her master's degree
in counseling at the University of
Colorado. She and her husband, Jon
Kearsley, had a son, Owen, Dec. 8.
Katie Dolph '08
of Brooklyn,
N.Y., married Anthony Shront on
April 17.
Meghan (Flink) Dalton '09
of Corvallis, and her husband,
Ian, had a son, Henry, Dec. 21,
their second.
Kristen Mason '09
of Beaverton
married Christian Buehring
March 12.
Andrew Nelson '09
of Portland
works with 360 Mentors that
connects graduating students with
their career interests.
Joshua Parfitt '09
graduated from dental school at A.T. Still
University in Arizona.

2000-2009

Cara Pepper Day '00
of Wilsonville was promoted to account
director at Green Vines.
Benjamin Dorrington '00
of Kalsipell, Mont., and his wife had a
child April 29.
Dan Roth '00
of Washington,
December 29.

Endowing annual gifts

Ray and Roberta Simonsen '60 and '70
dedicated their careers to educating young people
in Yamhill County schools. Because they believe that Linfield had a life-changing impact on who
they became and the opportunities they’ve had, they have faithfully supported the college
through scholarship and athletic donations. They recently decided to
ensure their financial support would continue beyond their lifetimes
by creating a new endowed fund to support Linfield Athletics.

The endowment will provide annual gifts in perpetuity that
equal what they’ve been giving the past several years.

If you’d like to have a confidential conversation about how you might
do something similar, please contact Craig Haisch '95, director of
development, at 503-883-2675 or chaisch@linfield.edu.
Linfield held its first-ever Giving Day on April 26. I was pleased to participate and to see the effect Giving Day had on all of our constituents.

Our role in alumni relations is to encourage graduates to support their alma mater, both financially and in other ways, but we do much more than that. We help connect alumni to Linfield and to each other, reminding them that they are part of a larger community, and encouraging them to take pride in all the successes and accomplishments of the institution and each other.

Giving Day was about all of those things. Even as alumni and friends were encouraged to make gifts to support the college, they also posted videos and pictures using #WeAreLinfield. They challenged friends around the world to participate. They posted messages about their Linfield experience on Twitter and Facebook. It was a day to feel good about being part of the greater Linfield community.

I felt a common purpose as colleagues across campus in multicultural programs, theatre, career development, athletics and other departments participated. I cherished the moment when an alumnus from the ‘50s stopped by Riley Hall and shared his stories with current students. I beamed with pride as gifts and messages rolled in from Hawaii, Washington D.C., Chicago, Scotland and Japan. So in my book, Giving Day was a huge success. Not only did we raise money for the college, we were also once again reminded that #WeAreLinfield.

– Debbie Harmon Ferry ’90
Director of Alumni and Parent Relations

From Linfield to hospital ministry

Krysta Baglien ’08 and Paul Griego ’07, who were first connected by their mutual relationship with Linfield Chaplain David Massey ’78, have now reconnected in their careers.

As Linfield students, Baglien was involved with Fellowship of Christian Athletes and Griego with the Chaplain’s Team, both growing close to Massey, whose nickname is “Chap.”

“Chap introduced us both to a different way of looking at faith than what we had grown up with,” said Baglien. “He was and is a mentor to both of us.”

Baglien and Griego earned master’s degrees in divinity – Baglien at Yale Divinity School and Griego at Iliff School of Theology. They now serve together as part of an eight-person spiritual care team at Children’s Hospital Colorado. Griego covers the Pediatric ICU and in-patient rehab floors, while Baglien covers the Neonatal ICU, Maternal Fetal Unit and Pulmonary floors.

“Our staff is excellent at supporting each other and really works to provide the best possible spiritual care to patients, families and staff here at the hospital. I am proud to call Krysta a teammate and a friend,” said Griego.

Krysta Baglien ’08 and Paul Griego ’07, with Linfield College Chaplain David Massey ’78, right, after Griego’s ordination in the United Church of Christ on Oct. 18, 2015.
McKay’s book reports on the Oregon Story

Oregon journalist Floyd McKay ’57 had a front-row seat for one of the most critical periods in Oregon’s history.

Now, McKay is telling that story in a new book, Reporting the Oregon Story: How Activists and Visionaries Transformed a State.

McKay’s book covers the period from 1964 to 1986, often referred to as The Oregon Story because it was a time of great change. From clean rivers and open beaches to mass transit and the Columbia Gorge, those two decades shaped the future of Oregon. As a reporter at the Oregon Statesman (now the Statesman Journal) in Salem and a news analyst at KGW-TV for 17 years in Portland, McKay knew all the major players and rising newcomers that defined this era.

His book describes and analyzes the time, linking the state’s leadership with an emerging corps of activists, many of them women who were on the cusp of taking leadership roles in Oregon politics. It also discusses changes in the Oregon media and is the first to link the environmental gains of the time with the emergence of a Portland renaissance that included MAX, Pioneer Square and the demise of urban freeways.

“More important is my goal of alerting young readers and new Oregonians to what can be done working together for goals that protect and improve Oregon’s quality of life and the earth’s sustainability,” McKay said.

As a student, McKay studied journalism, which was a very small Linfield department in the 1950s.

“Linfield’s greatest strength has always been its liberal arts focus and the ability of students to connect with professors in all fields,” said McKay. “My career never called into play the Shakespeare class from Dr. Horace Terrell or the Ethics and Life of Jesus classes with Dr. James Pollard, but the values and thinking of both men influenced me in many ways.”

McKay left full-time journalism in 1986 and spent two years as an assistant to Gov. Neil Goldschmidt. From 1990 to 2004 he taught journalism at Western Washington University, and received his Ph.D. from the University of Washington along the way, specializing in media history, later writing two books and many academic journal articles on that topic.

His vast background in journalism and history equip McKay to transcribe the Oregon story and connect it to modern day, according to Bill Lunch, Oregon political scientist and regular commentator for OPB.

“Floyd McKay has burnished his reputation as one of the most thoughtful and insightful observers (while a participant himself) in the era of historic change in the Northwest and the nation, the significance of which we are only now beginning to fully appreciate,” Lunch said.

- Natalie Kelley ’18
Your support is critical to enrollment

Hundreds of prospective students have visited Linfield in recent months. For many, the question is not whether they want to attend Linfield, but whether they can afford it. Scholarships are critical to meeting the financial aid needs of students. Your gifts to the Linfield Fund help make scholarships possible. Please consider a gift today!

For more information on investing in Linfield students, visit www.linfield.edu/giving or contact Lisa Goodwin, director of annual giving, at lgoodwin@linfield.edu or 503-883-2492.

Carmen Hoffbeck ’19
Obituaries

Grayce (Barendrick) Goodrich '33 of Bend, March 24.

Joseph Medicine Crow '38 of Lodge Grass, Mont., April 3. Survivors include a granddaughter, Ramona Crow '92.

Evelyn (Youngberg) Johnson '41, granddaughter of Lodge Grass, Mont., April 3.

Grayce (Barendrick) Goodrich, daughter of McMinnville, May 26.

Ramona Crow, granddaughter of Lodge Grass, Mont., April 3.


Dwight E. Umbarger '58 of Milwaukee, March 6.

Ron McCarty '59 of Portland, May 16.

Penny (Preston) Higginbotham '60 of Sheridan, Feb. 9.

Murray Smith '61 of Lake Oswego, April 20.

Curtis Manns '62 of Tallahassee, Fla., Feb. 8.

Iola Martinson '62 of Newberg, Sept. 15.

Henry Scott Ankorn '64 of Paso Robles, Calif., Feb. 10.


Sherry Epperson '94 of Juneau, Alaska, Feb. 3.

Todd E. Lang '96 of Macon, Ga., March 2.

Mary Lynn Beights '96 of Veneta, Feb. 18.

David E. Tomseth '09 of Portland, Feb. 28.

Ryan Giobetti '19.

Joseph D. Ban of Dundas, Ontario, Canada, former professor of religious studies and history, Sept. 17.

Patrick Sanderlin of McMinnville, Linfield College driver, May 23. Survivors include wife Shelly (Sorensen) '83, son Ben '16 and father-in-law Ben Sorensen '58.

Lloyd R. Swenson of Palm Desert, former professor of economics, Jan. 21. Survivors include son Charles '75.

Friends and Family

Craig Singletery of McMinnville, professor emeritus of communications, May 14. Survivors include daughters, Carol (Singletery) Smith '77 and Marcia (Singletery) Satterwhite '87, granddaughter, Lauren Giobetti '15.

Got news?

Have you changed jobs? Received a promotion? Returned to school? Did you get married or have a child in the last 12 months? Tell us about it at linfield.edu/alumni.