Three Northwest Conference championships. One second-place finish and three third-place showings. Those accomplishments highlighted another strong spring for Linfield athletes, who were competitive across the broad spectrum of sports throughout 2002-03. Here's a capsulized recap of each of the spring programs:

**MEN'S TENNIS**

There was no stopping the Wildcats during a record-setting 2003 season. Linfield successfully defended its league crown, beating Pacific Lutheran for the third time in a single season in the championship match of the Northwest Conference tennis tournament. The Wildcats, who went unbeaten (15-0) against NWC competition, won two doubles matches and four singles matches from the Lutes to down their arch rivals by a 5-2 count.

Linfield's Tim Layman and Erik Janssen each won singles matches in three sets and teamed up to win at No. 1 doubles, 9-8 (5), over the Lutes' duo of Justin Ochsner and Martin Uylangco. Other singles winners for Linfield were Chris Rivera at No. 4 and Brian Mullin at No. 6.

"We beat a very good, very determined, perennial power by a convincing score in a championship final for the second year in a row," said third-year coach Carl Swanson.

Swanson, who was named NWC coach of the year, pointed to the Wildcats' emphasis on doubles as a key to success not only in the championship match, but throughout the season.

"Winning the double point in a majority of our matches down the stretch gave us a huge boost of momentum going into singles play and all our work on doubles paid off in the championship match."

Alex Martin and Layman were selected as first team NWC all-stars. Playing No. 1 singles, Martin posted a 10-6 record and teamed with Mullin for a 13-4 doubles mark. Layman combined with Janssen for a 13-4 doubles record and was 12-4 at No. 2 singles. Justin Greene (13-4, 14-1), who enjoyed his finest season as a Wildcat, was voted a second team NWC all-star.

A total of seven Wildcats represented Linfield at the prestigious Ojai Valley Tennis Tournament. Martin and Mullin won three doubles matches to advance to the Division III semifinals, but bowed out 8-2 to eventual champions Rob Condiotty and Brian Murphy of the University of Redlands.

Linfield was ranked No. 6 in the final West Region rankings.

**SPRING SPORTS**

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**ON TOP ONCE MORE**

For the second time in three years, Linfield College has been honored as the top athletics program in the Northwest Conference. Linfield culminated the sports year by winning the McIlroy-Lewis All-Sports trophy for 2002-03, recognizing athletic excellence among NWC institutions across all fields of competition.

A strong spring sports season helped propel Linfield past runner-up Whitworth in a close race. During 2002-03, Linfield captured NWC championships in football, men's tennis, women's tennis, and women's golf. The Wildcats also finished second in men's soccer, women's swimming and softball, and garnered third-place finishes in baseball and men's track and field. Linfield accumulated 122 points in the spring, equaling half the program's 244 overall point total.

Whitworth, which won four league championships and finished as runner-up in four other sports, finished seven points behind Linfield with 237 points. The Pirates, who won titles in volleyball, men's and women's basketball, and men's swimming, led the competition through the winter season but did not capture a single title.

Linfield teams are tough to beat and they have class! Linfield teams have made a commitment to excellence! Why?

Consistency makes the difference in almost everything that we do in life. If we are consistent and pay attention to detail we can reach most all of our goals. I was reminded of this once again as I listened to several former football players who met for lunch this past week. All who assembled related the valuable lessons they had learned while participating in sports at Linfield under the guidance of coach Ad Rutschman and how their experiences had helped guide them in developing success skills as they continue their lives and careers. The values and lessons that coaches Lever, Durham, Helser, Rutschman, Wilson, and Smith taught are ones we continue to respect and emulate.

Over the years, Linfield has had many winning teams and has developed an expectation of success. This expectation is one that continues to this day for the fans, alumni, coaches and current players. The success continues because of a strong commitment to excellence and the willingness to work hard to reach desired goals.

But the successes that we are enjoying now were not developed overnight. They are a culmination of many years of hard work and commitment by hundreds and hundreds of student-athletes, coaches, trainers, doctors, administrators and the thousands who have and continue to support Linfield Athletics. Building programs to a championship level is very hard, but staying on top is even more difficult.

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Basketball and track and field star Leah Moore was named Linfield's top female athlete for 2002-03 following a vote of department coaches and staff.

The Wendell, Idaho, native has been a fixture for both the women's basketball and track and field teams, leaving her mark in the record books of both sports.

In basketball, Moore lead the Northwest Conference in steals as a senior, and became Linfield's career steals leader with 234 thefts, bettering the old record of 224 set by Colby Cummings from 1992-95. Moore has scored 771 career points while shooting 38.4 percent from the field and 73.9 percent from the line. She appeared in 100 games over four seasons, the second-best mark all-time.

In track and field, Moore captured the NWC heptathlon championship in April. Her 4,428 points ranks ninth among women's track team standings in 2002 to fourth place this spring. She garnered fourth place in the 400-meter dash each of the past two seasons.

"Leah has an awesome work ethic and a great attitude," said Wildcat's track and field coach Gary Killgore. "She is highly competitive and if she ever falls short, it's never because she hasn't given it her best effort."

A senior majoring in health education, Moore is hopeful of competing one more season in track and field in the spring of 2004. She is focusing on a career as a teacher and coach.

"I admire Leah a great deal. She pushes herself so relentlessly that sometimes her body breaks down as a result," said Killgore. "I certainly would want other athletes to look up to her and emulate the things that she does."

Moore competed in the heptathlon last month at the 2003 NCAA Division III championship meet in upstate New York. She placed 11th in a field of 20 national qualifiers.

All-America running back David Russell's profound influence on the 2002 football team earned the senior the top male athlete award for 2002-03.

"David was a real warrior. There was a certain confidence you had going into games because he was on your team," said Wildcats head coach Jay Locey. "In terms of character, he had all the best traits. David really epitomized our theme 'Leave No Doubt' because he lived it through his academics, athletics and his relationships with people. He was a person of high integrity, mentally and physically tough, and a hard worker."

Russell completed his bachelor's degree in education in December and is focusing on a career as a teacher and coach. He lettered three times in football at Linfield, playing one season of football at Eastern Oregon before transferring. A native of Burnt Woods, Ore., Russell is the son of Donald and Michele Russell. He is a graduate of Eddyville High School, where he was a three-time all-state selection and two-time Casco League most valuable player.

Tenacious Competitors Honored with Inaugural Vern Marshall Awards

Seniors Luke Buchheit and Mandy Sitz are the recipients of the first Vern Marshall awards, saluting the Linfield athletes with the greatest tenacity.

The pair are the inaugural winners of the award established last fall in honor of Vern Marshall '57, the former Linfield athlete, and college and professional sports referee who passed away in December of stomach cancer.

Buchheit, a native of McMinnville, completed an outstanding four-year career in football in which he was named to the conference all-star team each of his four seasons. He also lettered four times in baseball and was named Linfield's most valuable pitcher and most inspirational player as a senior.

The Milwaukie, Ore., native was a four-year letterwinner in soccer, lifting the Wildcats to the two best seasons in program history. She was first team NWC all-star as a defender, helping Linfield establish a new school record for fewest goals allowed in a single season.

Sitz scored just three goals in four seasons, however, two were match-winners, including one in overtime that beat a heavily favored Puget Sound team in the fall of 2001.

In the spring, Sitz competed in the sport of lacrosse, where she was the team's second-leading scorer.

Marshall, whose name the award bears, officiated for 13 years in the National Football League. He also was a high school and college basketball and baseball official and in 1991 was voted the outstanding basketball official in the state by the Oregon Coaches Association.

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SUCCESS IS NEVER ACHIEVED ALONE, SAYS NAIA HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE SCOTT BROSIOUS

Former Linfield and New York Yankees all-star third baseman Scott Brosious ‘02 received the National Intercollegiate Athletic Association’s highest honor May 22 in Lewiston, Idaho. Brosious was inducted into the NAIA Hall of Fame at a banquet prior to the start of the 2003 NAIA Baseball World Series.

"No matter what success we achieve, we never do it alone," Brosious said, extending appreciation to his family and coaches.

Brosious retired from professional baseball at the conclusion of the 2001 season. He began his career in the minor leagues in 1988 and spent a season. He began his career in the major leagues in 1988 and spent a season. He began his career in the minor leagues in 1988 and spent a season. He began his career in the minor leagues in 1988 and spent a season. He began his career in the minor leagues in 1988 and spent a season. He began his career in the minor leagues in 1988 and spent a season. He began his career in the minor leagues in 1988 and spent a season. He began his career in the minor leagues in 1988 and spent a season. He began his career in the minor leagues in 1988 and spent a season. He began his career in the minor leagues in 1988 and spent a season.

In three seasons at Linfield, he batted .332 with 14 home runs and 77 RBI. During his final season as a junior in 1987, he batted .348 and set Linfield single-season records for most at-bats, hits and RBI. He received recognition on the all-District, all-Northwest Conference teams, and was an honorable mention NAIA All-American.

Inducted into the Linfield Athletics Hall of Fame last November, Brosious left Linfield following his junior year after being selected by Oakland in the 20th round of the 1987 amateur draft.

He returned to Linfield to complete a bachelor’s degree in business in 2002.

"Scott has been an inspiration and a role model without reproach for thousands of youngsters from the state of Oregon," said Linfield president Dr. Vivian A. Bull. "Although he left Linfield to turn professional after his junior year, Scott persevered to finish his education. His commitment to completing his education made us all at Linfield equally as proud as the many achievements Scott has enjoyed in the arena of athletics."

Linfield baseball coach Scott Carnahan said he most admires his protégé’s personal traits, rather than his athletic awards.

"Scott’s most outstanding qualities are based on his character and the family values he has always held," said Carnahan. He is truly a humble person who has always kept the hype, glory and accolades in a defined perspective relative to life. He has always held a strong commitment to his Christian faith and has been an unbelievable role model for our youth and our community.” Since retiring from professional baseball, Brosious has spent the past two years aiding Carnahan as a volunteer assistant coach for the Linfield baseball team. He and his wife, Jennifer, and children, Megan, Allison, and David, live in McMinnville.
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WOMEN’S TENNIS

To no one’s surprise, Linfield repeated as Northwest Conference champion, beating Whitworth 7-2 in the championship match in Yakima, Wash. The Wildcats won two of the three doubles matches and five of six singles matches against the Pirates.

The Wildcats entered the conference tournament minus one of their most consistent players. Freshman Traci Sorensen aggravated a leg injury and did not compete in the three championship-tournament matches.

Third-year head coach Carl Swanson was named women’s coach of the year, guiding the Wildcats (16-3 overall, 14-0 NWC) to their first unbeaten record in conference play. The Wildcats also set new single-season standards for victories and winning percentage.

Junior Nicole Ralston and senior Kirsten Changstrom were named first team NWC all-stars. Playing No. 1 the entire season, Ralston posted matching 14-5 singles and doubles records. Changstrom teamed with Ralston at No. 1 doubles and was 12-4 playing No. 2 singles. Lindsey Carlson (15-3, 13-6) and Caroline Kunz (15-1, 3-0) each were voted second team NWC all-stars.

MEN’S GOLF

Sophomore Jeff Dunn tied for second place at the NWC championships for the second straight year, earning all-conference distinction. Dunn shot a 71 over the final 18 holes after posting scores of 73 and 69 on the tournament’s opening day. The Wildcats totaled 913 on the Tokatee Golf Course, duplicating their fourth-place showing of a year ago.

Sophomore Rio Kuteira of Willamette fired a 5-under-par 67 to carry the Bearcats to the NWC team title.

Included in the Linfield point total was freshman Trever Phillips at 225, Ryan Whitcomb at 240, and Dave Cramer and Jonathan Stone, both at 242.

Dunn shared medalist honors at the Whitman Invitational and also was crowned medalist at the wet and windy Pacific Invitational, leading the Wildcats to a second-place team finish.

Despite less-than-ideal playing conditions through much of the spring, Dunn’s consistent play earned the sophomore an individual invitation to the NCAA Division III tournament for the second straight year. He shot 80-82-74-76-312 to finish in a tie for 80th place.

WOMEN’S GOLF

Led by co-medallists Kari Lim and Andi Wavra, Linfield won its fourth consecutive Northwest Conference championship. Lim and Wavra finished with identical 36-hole scores of 167 on the picturesque links at Aspen Lakes Golf Course near Sisters, Ore.

The 38-stroke team victory extended Linfield’s NWC unbeaten streak to three years. At the NWC championships, three golfers placed among the top six. In addition to Wavra and Lim, junior Bobbie Simoni earned all-conference honors with a two-round total of 174 to share fifth place.

Lim was on a roll throughout the spring, winning the Puget Sound Invitational and the Whitman Invitational. The Wildcats won both team titles and also claimed the team prize at the Pacific Invitational where Simoni placed second and Lim was third.

Linfield’s most formidable opponent during the spring was the weather. The Wildcats battled unseasonably wet and windy conditions nearly every week, disrupting practice schedules and causing scores to balloon unnecessarily. A higher scoring average may have ultimately been what prevented Linfield from receiving an invitation to the NCAA Division III tournament.

SOFTBALL

A balanced blend of youth and experience combined perfectly to carry Linfield to a record-setting season during 2003. The Wildcats, 27-11 overall, finished second in the Northwest Conference with a 21-5 record, establishing team records for most wins, both overall and in conference play, and best winning percentage.

The season began with a seven-game winning streak, a feat later exceeded twice by a pair of eight-game winning strings. Linfield swept four-game NWC sets from Whitworth, Lewis & Clark, George Fox and Pacific. Perhaps the team’s only regret was failing to defeat Pacific Lutheran, which won its 16th league crown in 17 years. For the second straight season, Linfield came as close as any team to beating the Lutes, falling by three runs in two of the four meetings.

Sophomore Molleigh Keenan was the Wildcats’ go-to player at the plate, leading the team with a .406 batting average. Keenan did miss 15 games midway through the season with a shoulder injury, but Linfield adapted and was able to continue its march toward a possible championship. Freshman Shelly Steinke (.395) was a major contributor at the plate. Senior Kelly Johnson hit .297 and slapped a school-record six home runs.

Senior Alicia Herman, junior Liz Coburn and sophomores Michelle Morris and Sara Stores formed the Northwest Conference’s most balanced pitching staff. Morris (10-3) toppled the team with 68 strikeouts and a 1.49 earned run average. Coburn (7-4) struck out 30 batters and walked the fewest (9) in recording a 1.57 ERA. Herman (7-4) led the team in complete games (4) while registering a 2.56 ERA. Stores (3-0) went unbeaten with 21 strikeouts and a 3.41 ERA.

Six Wildcats were voted to the Northwest Conference all-star team at the conclusion of the season. Steinke, who led the conference with 49 hits, was named to the first team as an outfielder and Morris was a first team selection at pitcher. Earning honorable mention were Johnson (catcher), Keenan (infielder), Stephanie Morgan (infielder) and Jessica Galaway (utility).

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TRACK AND FIELD

The Linfield women moved up two spots from a year ago, finishing fourth at the NWC championship meet in Tacoma, Wash. The Wildcat men slipped to third after placing second last season.

Both squads experienced their share of adversity in the form of injuries and poor weather, but the Wildcats pressed on to achieve quality results.

Five athletes competed at the NCAA Division III championship meet at Canton, N.Y. Ray Lions captured eighth place in the men's javelin, earning All-America honors for the second straight year. Wildcats sophomore Chris Boock came within an eyelash of qualifying for the finals in the men's 100-meter dash. In the women's heptathlon, Leah Moore captured 11th place and teammate Lindsay Larson placed 19th. Jennifer Bell-O'Toole competed in the javelin but did not make the cut for finals.

At the Northwest Conference championship meet, Boock set a meet record in the 100 (10.65 seconds) and also anchored the Wildcats’ winning the 4x100 relay (42.35). Another sophomore, Anthony Cook, was a close second in the 800 in 1:56.71. Jesse Fipps carved out a second-place finish in the grueling decathlon and was third in the 110 hurdles in 15.40.

The Linfield men claimed 10 team points in the shot put, placing three finishers among the top eight. Andrew Thron netted third (46-0), Chris Miles was sixth (43-5) and Tommy Scott placed eighth (42-11 3/4). In the jumps, Ryan Boatsman shared third with a mark of 6-2 3/4.

Moore captured the NWC heptathlon championship, scoring 4,428 points. Larson was second with 4,125 points.

Freshman Kelsey Newell put together an impressive debut season, finishing as runner-up for the women's NWC 400 title and winning a number of events during the dual-meet portion of the schedule. Another freshman to make a noticeable impact was Joni Claypool, who placed second in the conference in the shot put (39-10) and eighth in the discus (114-5).

BASEBALL

Linfield’s season-ending 8-4 victory over Pacific was more than simply another win over the course of a long baseball season. The emotional triumph extended the program’s enviable string of consecutive winning seasons to 12 while also clinching third place in the Northwest Conference standings. The Wildcats concluded the season 21-19 overall, 14-10 in the NWC.

With a little more than a month left in the season, such achievements seemed unlikely. Linfield was mired in sixth place in the standings and needed victories in 11 of its last 15 games to clinch a winning campaign. Going into the season, the Wildcats had never finished worse than fourth in the conference under 20th year coach Scott Carnahan.

Feeding off the pressure, the Wildcats won eight of their final nine NWC games to avoid the stigma of a non-winning season.

That stretch included a nine-game winning streak that ended at the hands of nationally ranked Chapman.

"We felt like we underachieved. But over the last third of the season, we played like we were capable of playing."

Linfield completed series sweeps of Whitman and Whitworth to ignite their late-season roll. Shortstop Grant Rogers finished as the Wildcats' top hitter, batting .387 with 17 RBIs. Greg Roberts and Jake Roberts both played prominent roles in the Wildcats’ surge. The unrelated pair shared the team lead with six home runs. Greg Roberts knocked home a team-best 32 runs.

Pitchers Alex Justus (5-1), Brant Shilliam (5-2) and Jordon Rasmussen (4-2) enjoyed the greatest success on the mound. Rasmussen struck out a team-high 52 batters. Shilliam retired 51 and Justus 30.

For his part, Carnahan surpassed a pair of major milestones during his 25th year as a college coach. The Wildcats’ skipper collected his 600th win and also managed his 1,000th game.

"I felt good with the way we finished," he said. "Our seniors, over the last third of the season, really produced and the leadership we were counting on came about."

WOMEN’S LACROSSE

Linfield achieved a fourth consecutive winning season, compiling a 12-7 overall record and a 3-3 mark against NCAA Division III competition.

The Wildcats began the season with five victories in their first six matches. Their lone loss in that stretch came in a 6-5 overtime setback to Washington at the Sweet Onion Shootout in Walla Walla, Wash.

Linfield won three of the next four matches, including an impressive 11-0 shutout over NCAA rival Puget Sound. Goalkeeper Jen Robbins recorded the first shutout in program history and Rhea Hartlieb scored five times as the Wildcats pounded the Loggers in McMinnville.

On their spring break trip to California, Linfield outlasted Whittier 14-13 in overtime, but dropped a 10-3 decision to Redlands and also lost 12-5 to Claremont-Mudd-Scripps.

Linfield closed the season by winning three of five matches at the LAX World tournament in Vancouver, Wash.

Hartlieb, a senior, concluded her outstanding four-year career. She finished as Linfield’s all-time leader in goals (187), assists (59) and points (433). Also graduating was playmaking forward Mandy Sitz, who finished her career with 43 goals and 15 assists.
DEADLINE NEARS FOR MAXWELL FIELD PROJECT TO GET OFF THE DRAWING BOARD

Time is running short to fund the first phase of the Linfield Athletics Master Plan. The $1.1 million project will completely reconfigure the running track and create an artificial grass playing surface for football.

Fundraising must be complete by the start of the new year in order to begin construction in March 2004 as hoped.

Donors are encouraged to make a pledge before the end of 2003 so that ground can be broken on the initial phase.

Last resurfaced in 1994, the running track is in need of replacement. Originally designed with yards as the primary measurement, the oval would be rebuilt using the modern metric standard. The result will mean the track and football field will be shifted slightly to the east, creating a buffer between the track and the stadium.

The current latex-based track surface would be upgraded to a longer-lasting polyurethane finish. That would increase the lifespan from approximately six years to 10-12 years.

Maxwell Field would be covered with FieldTurf, a grass-like surface. The sand-and-rubber infill system used by FieldTurf is the most significant development in the sport-surface industry in the last 25 years.

The advantages of converting from natural grass to FieldTurf are increased usage, improved drainage and decreased maintenance costs.

Subsequent phases of the master plan call for renovation and expansion of Memorial Stadium, a new weight room, banquet facility, locker room and satellite sports medicine treatment center.

For more information or to contribute, contact athletic director Scott Carmanah at 503-883-2229 or scarnah@linfield.edu.

FALL SPORTS SCHEDULES

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PAUL DURHAM LUNCH AND BIRTHDAY PARTY IS JULY 9

All former players and friends of retired football coach Paul Durham ‘36 are invited to an annual luncheon next month on the Linfield campus.

The gathering will be held Wednesday, July 9, at the Renshaw Gallery on the Linfield campus and will pay tribute to the Hall of Fame coach, who turns 90 on Oct. 13.

Exciting games and seasons of the past will be revisited. Speakers include Hugh Yoshida ‘62 and Cliff Saxton ‘52.

Lunch is $14 and payable at the door. Those interested in attending are asked to phone organizer Pat Smith ‘53 at 503-656-3724 by July 2.
DISTANCE RUNNING GURU GEORGE OJA RETIRING

George Oja is retiring after 23 years at Linfield. He was presented with a special plaque honoring his service to the college at a track meet this spring.

Oja was head men’s cross country coach from 1981 to 1987 and women’s coach from 1982 to 1994. He directed the men’s track program from 1981 to 1984 and guided the women during 1983 and 1984.

He specialized in distance running and coached the men’s school record holders in the 5,000, 10,000 and marathon events, and the 10,000 and marathon record holders on the women’s side.

Oja taught exercise science, physical education and athletic training majors as a professor within the department of Health and Human Performance.

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in the spring. Whitworth did not score points in golf because the school does not sponsor either a men's or women's program.

Puget Sound finished third with 222 points. Willamette also won three championships in the spring to place fourth in the standings with 221 points.

The Bearcats won titles in men's and women's track and field and men's golf.

Pacific Lutheran, the defending all-sports trophy winner, finished in fifth place with 201 points. The Lutes won the conference softball title.

“I'm very proud of all the efforts and achievements our teams and athletes have made,” said Linfield director of athletics Scott Carnahan. “Winning the all-sports award really shows the commitment to excellence that our athletic department has had for years.”

Lewis & Clark moved up to finish sixth in the standings (118 points), followed by Whitman (114). Whitman does not sponsor softball or men's and women's track & field.

Pacific (112 points) finished eighth while George Fox (99) took ninth place despite winning the final NWC spring title in baseball. The Bruins do not sponsor golf.

The McIlroy-Lewis trophy is named in honor of Jane McIlroy, Linfield women's athletics director and physical education professor from 1950-82 who also coached field hockey (1952-81), basketball, volleyball, softball and tennis; and John Lewis, the Willamette baseball coach (1947-72), basketball coach (1947-67) and athletics director (1952-72).

"We enjoyed fantastic seasons in football, women's golf, and men's and women's tennis," said Carnahan. "The overall consistency of our programs is one of the main factors that helped Linfield win this award. Another factor that played a part is the tremendous support that Linfield enjoys from its administration, alumni, friends of the college, students and support people."

WEAR YOUR PURPLE AND RED TO ALL-SPORTS REUNION AUG. 30

A new event is on the horizon that will draw together athletes, coaches and supporters from all sports with the intent of raising funds for development of the athletic facilities at the college.

The Linfield Wildcat all-sports reunion and fundraiser is scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 30, at Art Larrance's Raccoon Lodge and Brew Pub in southwest Portland. Larrance ‘66, was a member of Linfield’s 1966 NAIA championship baseball team.

The event is being organized by Pete Dengenis ’64, a member of Linfield’s Camellia Bowl football team. Everyone invited for an evening of fun, socializing, getting acquainted and visiting with old friends.

Those attending are encouraged to dress in Linfield purple and red. Especially welcome is clothing from past eras, providing it still fits.

Volunteers are needed to help plan the program and staff the event. Interested persons should contact Dengenis at doc.dengenis@oregoned.org.

The Raccoon Lodge and Brew Pub is located in Raleigh Hills at 7424 SW Beaverton-Hillsdale Highway.

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ALUMNI NOTES AND TIDBITS

Dave Nickelson ’76 has been named head track and field coach at Creswell High School. Nickelson set five school records during his time at Linfield. His record in the 3,000-meter steeplechase still stands.

Cara Caddell ’98, who served as football and basketball statistician for the sports information office for four years, received her doctor of medicine degree from Saint Louis University. Caddell is now entering a residency program in pediatrics at Phoenix Children’s Hospital.

Joelle Tybon ’03 is one of three graduating Linfield seniors who will study or teach abroad next year. Tybon, who earned multiple letters in both soccer and lacrosse, is the recipient of a French Government Teaching Assistantship and will teach English conversion classes in a French high school.

Former All-American defensive tackle Joe Dominey ’95 was named Broadcaster of the Year by the “In the Crease Professional Hockey Journal.” Dominey, who began his broadcasting career doing color commentary for Wildcats football games, is director of broadcasting for the Memphis (Tenn.) River Kings of the Central Hockey League and the Memphis Xplorers of the Arena Football League.

Basketball lettermen Jon Dickover ’98 and Ryan Cruz ’01 have been hired as assistant basketball coaches at Liberty High School in Hillsboro, which opens this fall.

Ex-Linfield men’s and women’s soccer coach Steve Simmons has been named head men’s soccer coach at Northern Illinois University, an NCAA Division I program. Simmons was assistant men’s coach the past two seasons at Oregon State. Former Wildcats assistant and head coach Ian Clerihew has been hired as Simmons’ assistant.

John Knight, who coached football and men’s track and field at Linfield during the 1970s, retired in May after 14 years as track coach at Western Oregon University. Knight led Linfield to four straight NWC titles from 1974-77 and coached Linfield’s national championship relay team in 1976.

Three-year baseball letterman Darren Heath ’02 has earned a roster spot on the British amateur baseball team that will compete in the Olympics.

WILDCAT OPEN SLATED FOR AUGUST 1

Make plans now to join us Friday, August 1, for the annual Wildcat Open golf tournament at Michelbook Country Club.

Prompt registration is encouraged as a full field is expected. Registration materials should arrive in your mailbox this month.

The afternoon of golf, food and friendship will have the usual perks, from the popular prize raffle, to the hole-in-one contest for the chance to win a new car, to the fully catered barbeque lunch.