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## SCHMIDT RETIRES AFTER NINE YEARS ON EVERGREEN'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES

He started his professional career as the Olympia Brewery's first night shift engineer. He retired last year as the Administrative Vice President of that brewery. And, this week, Trueman L. "Bink" Schmidt also resigned after nine years as a member of The Evergreen State College Board of Trustees.

Named to Evergreen's original board in 1967, Bink has been the only Thurston County resident on the five-member board. He says he first agreed to serve as a trustee "because my family has always been interested in community affairs and because I thought I could help."

Bink says he hoped his expertise in architectural engineering would be an asset to Evergreen, which, at the time of his appointment, did not yet have a site, much less any buildings.

"I wanted to contribute to the construction efforts," he recalls. "And," he adds, "it's been a real thrill watching that college take shape."

Bink was born on the site of the brewery's present administrative offices in 1913. At the time, the corner of Custer Way and Schmidt Place was graced by Adolph Schmidt's family home where Winifred Lang Schmidt delivered the first four of her five children.

Bink, their second son, attended Lincoln Grade School and graduated from Olympia High School in 1932. He later attended Oregon State University and the University of Washington. After World War II, which Bink spent in the U.S. Navy, he returned to the brewery as a construction engineer in January of 1946 and worked there continuously until his retirement as administrative vice president last year.

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The father of two (Nick and Judie), Bink says it's now time he was "a bit selfish with my time." He says he and his wife Virginia want to spend more time with their family, which includes two grandchildren, Marc and Ellen, born to Judie and her husband, Roger Pearsall, of Tacoma. valley, California.

Honored at his final board meeting at Evergreen Tuesday (April 6), Bink says he "doesn't plan to be a stranger to the campus." "We live nearby and you'll probably see more of me now than you ever did," he told college employees.

Those who've worked with Bink the past nine years sure hopes he means it.