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Historically Black University — is preparing to celebrate its sesquicentennial between April 2003 and May 2004.

As the current custodians — Keepers of the Faith and Flame — of this venerable institution, we are entrusted with the responsibility of telling and retelling to the world the wonderful story of this University.

The operative words are “preparing” and “responsibility.”

I know that as is the case with the approach of any birthday, many of us are becoming anxious, even giddy with anticipation as we draw nearer to the kick-off bash in April.

In effect, you want to know the plans for the big party….

Has the cake been ordered? What about ice cream? And do not forget decorations and a guest list! And what about the party itself? Just how are we going to celebrate?

Quite frankly, I, too, am excited about the celebration and having our campus in the spotlight of the region, nation and world.

However, I want to assure you that

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Walker-Slocum is frequently on concert tour around the world with her unique brand of old Negro melodies which reflect a bygone and often neglected era. She has performed in Europe, the West Indies, New York’s Carnegie Recital Hall and the National Gallery. She is currently a professor of piano at the Oberlin Conservatory of Music in Ohio and a recording artist under the Orion Records label.

Even with her busy concert schedule and the many years that have passed since she was part of the University’s faculty, Walker-Slocum never forgot the four years she spent at Lincoln. Her generous gift was presented to President Ivory V. Nelson during a brief ceremony. Walker-Slocum then met with members of the music faculty, including Dr. William B. Garcia, the department’s chair. Dr. Garcia said the gift will help establish scholarships for the department’s music program.
Lincoln Maps Course for Sesquicentennial Celebration

University to Observe 150th Anniversary April 2003-May 2004
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Patricia Nelson, Ed.D. (left) and Donn Scott ’70 co-chair the University’s Sesquicentennial Committee.

just as I have done in previous discussions and in earlier editions of the Lincoln Lion and Lincoln Review, I will continue to share with you the University’s comprehensive, strategic, exciting, and exceptional plans to celebrate this major milestone in the Lincoln Legacy.

Lincoln’s Year-Long Events

Remember, we are working to plan and execute a year-long series of events that:

• Celebrate Lincoln’s 150th anniversary as a major milestone and achievement
• Showcase the University
• Attract positive media and external attention to the University
• Provide the framework to seek major support from alumni and friends and
• Provide the opportunity to publicly announce the Capital Campaign

First Major Capital Campaign

University Trustee Donn Scott ’70 and Patricia Nelson, Ed.D., co-chair the Sesquicentennial Committee. The Division of Development and External Relations, under the leadership of Vice President Michael B. Hill, has the major responsibility to plan, implement, and coordinate activities and events for the celebration. The following are some of Development’s specific priorities for Lincoln’s Sesquicentennial Celebration.

• Implement the plan to launch the $100-million Campaign for Lincoln.
• Provide staffing and support for the Sesquicentennial Celebration Committee.
• Implement the design for the official logo.
• Implement the design for the celebratory postcards, and obtain approval by the postal service for the commemorative, cancellation stamp.
• Complete the establishment of Commission members.
• Provide the 2003-2004 Schedule of Events.
• Implement campus and external events that are consistent with the Sesquicentennial Celebration.
• Implement the University’s public relations campaign.

In sharing with you our goals and objectives for the Sesquicentennial Celebration, I know that we want the very best for this institution. And to be effective, we must remain resolute to “be on the same page” in our planning and implementation.

Thank you for your continued support, and thank you for your generous contributions.

Now, more than ever, your gift is a declarative statement to other potential donors that you invest in our students’ success!

I urge you to fill out the enclosed donor’s envelope and make your tax-deductible contribution today.

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Lincoln University received 4,040 applications from students seeking admission to the University for the 2002-2003 academic year, a 26 percent increase over last year and a record number of applications for Lincoln.

According to the Office of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, it is the first time in the 149-year history of the University that Lincoln has received more than 4,000 student applications.

In addition, the University’s overall undergraduate and graduate student enrollment increased from 1,871 last year to 1,998 (1,561 undergraduate, 437 graduate students) for the 2002-2003 academic year. The increase includes 520 freshman and first-year students (freshman and transfers) and represents the third largest number of first-year students in the University’s history.

“Lincoln University is very pleased that increasing numbers of students are considering the University as their institution of choice to receive an undergraduate education,” said President Ivory V. Nelson, Ph.D. “The tremendous increase in student applications is a major indicator of the resurgence in Lincoln’s national reputation for academic excellence and return to prominence. Students want to come to Lincoln because we are true to our historic mission: Lincoln University prepares learners and produces leaders to shape the world.”

Applications and enrollment have been on the rise at the University for the last three years, according to Dr. William B. Bynum, Jr., vice president, Student Affairs and Enrollment Management.

Dr. Bynum attributes Lincoln’s 26 percent application increase to the University’s successful implementation of a strategic enrollment management plan, proactive student recruitment activities, targeted marketing of the University, and endorsements by students and alumni.

On September 21, 2002, President Ivory V. Nelson presented his Report on the University to the Board of Trustees. Here is a summary of that report.

**2003-2004 State Appropriations:**
Lincoln’s 2003-2004 Commonwealth Appropriations Request was submitted to the State on Sept. 13. The request represents a 7 percent increase over 2002-2003 appropriations for the Educational and General, Recruitment of Disadvantaged, and International Program lines. Additional funding to enhance technology ($4.0 million) and the sciences ($2.0 million) was again included.

**Enrollment:** (See article above)

**Campus Work:**
Work on the $29.4 million Commonwealth-funded physical plant infrastructure projects is scheduled to start in November 2002. The project requires the digging of several trenches throughout the campus to accommodate the installation of electric, steam, storm water, and sanitation lines. John Thompson, director of Physical Plant, has worked closely with Commonwealth agencies to ensure the safety of the University community and the least possible disruption to the campus and student life during the construction period. The scheduled completion date is October 2004.

**New 400-Bed Residence Hall:**
Lincoln has issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for design and engineering services for the new dormitory housing project. The RFQ has been distributed to interested parties, including Board of Trustees, alumni, and friends. It can be accessed on Lincoln’s Web site at www.lincoln.edu.

An internal Building Committee, chaired by Dr. William B. Bynum, Jr., vice president for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, and consisting of faculty, staff, students and physical plant personnel, has been appointed to make recommendations on the selection of the architect for the project.

**Physical Plant Capital Projects:**
Physical Plant personnel attempted to complete several priority capital projects over the summer. The list of projects included remodeling and renovating Cannon House; renovating (the basement in) Rendall Hall, (air conditioning system in) Video Studio, (carpeting and ceiling in) Hughes Laboratory, SAP Program, and refurbishing Wright Hall, Grimm Hall Library. Other priorities include the Campus Emergency Phone System, and the Chapel Stain Glass Window Restoration Project. Some of the projects have been completed, while others are still in progress.

To Our Readers: Starting with the December 2002 edition, the Lincoln Review will only be mailed free of charge to the donors of Lincoln University.
Lincoln Board of Trustees Elects Three New Members

The three new members of the board of trustees are alumni of Lincoln University and will each serve four-year terms.

Phyllis G. Woolley ’85, is director of African-American marketing for Colgate-Palmolive Company. Woolley, who has a bachelor of arts degree in English and French from Lincoln, and master’s degrees in business administration and French from Penn State, is recognized as one of the nation’s most successful women in marketing. Prior to Colgate Palmolive, she held several leadership positions in marketing at Coca-Cola USA and Hallmark Cards.

Gregory C. Miller ’77, is director of International Strategic Manufacturing, Alliances and Procurement for GlaxoSmithKline, one of the world’s leading pharmaceutical companies. Miller, who has a bachelor’s degree in biology from Lincoln, has been with the company (formerly known as SmithKline & French and SmithKline Beecham) since 1986. Before GlaxoSmithKline, he spent 10 years with Merck & Company, in management-level positions.

Tracey J. Hunter Hayes ’87, a former director of Alumni Relations from 2000-2002 at Lincoln, earned his bachelor’s degree in philosophy also from Lincoln and a masters of library science degree from the University of Pittsburgh. Prior to Lincoln, Hunter Hayes spent 10 years as a professional librarian. He has been recognized in the library profession, including a fellowship at the American Library Association in Chicago and as a delegate to the White House Conference on Libraries.

Samuel L. Woodard ’52, Ed.D. is a man of action. The professor emeritus in Howard University’s School of Education and many of his classmates are challenging other Lincoln alumni classes to inspire the “winner” in every young person they come in contact with.

Woodard and his class of ’52 title this team-building program as “Encouraging More Winners.” The class of ’52 defines a winner as someone who is “achieving the goal of being a productive person by habitually developing one’s unique ability and striving tirelessly (similar to athletes) for higher education.”

To demonstrate his commitment to the “Encouraging More Winners” program, Dr. Woodard has pledged to increase his alumni contribution to Lincoln from $10,000 to $50,000. Dr. Woodard cites how he and fellow Lincoln alumus Walter Chambers ’52 have encouraged numerous young people over the years to make a commitment to being successful at whatever they do.

Counted among their success stories is Gerran Price, a freshman at the University of Pennsylvania this fall. The Silver Spring, Md. native is the recipient of the Carl T. Rowan Project of Excellence Scholarship. The four-year scholarship is valued at more than $150,000 and covers all of Price’s tuition and boarding costs.

Many years ago, Dr. Woodard began referring to Price as “Dr. J,” the nickname of Hall of Fame basketball legend Julius Erving. However, Price was not a basketball player.

Dr. Woodard gave Price the nickname because of his academic achievement and life goal of becoming a medical doctor. Dr. Woodard hopes that other Lincoln alumni can inspire this winning spirit among all the young people they impact.
Dr. Grant D. Venerable, II is the new vice president of Academic Affairs. Venerable will provide the leadership in developing, planning, implementing and evaluating the University’s progress as it relates to Lincoln’s vision, mission and strategic plan. As a member of President Ivory V. Nelson’s cabinet, he also will work closely with the President to help attract external funds and will advise him on all academic matters. He also will work with faculty committees and other University groups to set academic and budget standards. Prior to joining Lincoln, Dr. Venerable was provost and vice president for academic affairs at Morris Brown College in Atlanta. Dr. Venerable has a Ph.D. in physical chemistry and master of science in chemistry from the University of Chicago.

Members of the University faculty and staff have received grant funding from various institutions to conduct research in programs related to a variety of academic, health, social, legal and technological issues. The following is a listing of recent grants.

- **Dr. Susan Safford**, assistant professor, Biology, received a five-year $1,148,699 grant from the National Institutes of Health, National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases for the characterization of a purative plasma membrane Vitamin D receptor.

- **Dr. Richard O’Daniel**, director, Center for Graduate and Continuing Education, received a three-year $598,446 grant from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for minority university mathematics, science and technology awards for a teacher-education program.

- **Dr. Abdulalim Abdullah Shabazz (pictured left)**, distinguished professor, Mathematics, and **Dr. Lynn Roberts**, professor of Physics, received a three-year $299,872 grant from the U.S. Department of Education for the improvement and further development of the University’s Mathematics and Computer Science, Physics, Biology, Chemistry, and Pre-Engineering Programs. The grant has been extended for an additional year for the work to be completed.

- **Dr. John O. Chikwen (pictured left)**, dean, School of Natural Sciences and Mathematics, **Dr. Delroy M. Louden**, professor, Psychology, and **Dr. Laurellen Treisner**, assistant professor, Mathematics and Computer Science, have received a one-year, $299,033 grant from the U.S. Department of Defense/Office of Naval Research for a HIV/AIDS prevention and control program for military personnel in Abuja, Nigeria. The team also received $84,005 to train 36 health educators on HIV/AIDS prevention in Nigeria. Overall, the University has received $682,003 in HIV/AIDS prevention/research funds.

- **Dr. Delroy M. Louden**, professor of Psychology, received a five-year, $248,400 grant from the National Institutes of Health’s Extramural Associates Research Development Award to improve Lincoln’s research capabilities.

- **Dr. William B. Bynum, Jr.** vice president, Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, and **James Conner**, assistant director, Public Safety, received a three-year, $225,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Justice’s Community Office of Police Services Project to hire additional public safety officers at the University.

- **Dr. William B. Bynum, Jr.** vice president, Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, and Herschel Bailey, director of the Upward Bound Program, received a one-year $147,901 grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Minority Health for a minority males project.

- **Dr. Saligrama SubbaRao**, professor of Chemistry and former acting vice president for Academic Affairs, received a one-year, $128,592 grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Education for information technology research.

- **Dr. Robert Langley**, associate professor of Chemistry, received a one-year, $70,000 grant from the Office of Naval Research for the Lincoln Advanced Science and Engineering Reinforcement (LASER) Program.

- **Dr. Benson W. Prigg**, associate professor of English, co-wrote a grant proposal for the Langston Hughes Playwright’s Forum held at Lincoln last June. The William Penn Foundation awarded the School of Humanities a $37,400 grant to facilitate the forum.

- **Dr. William B. Bynum, Jr.** vice president, Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, and Herschel Bailey, director, Upward Bound, received a one-year, $34,000 grant from the Chester County (Pa.) Health Department for a tobacco prevention and cessation project.

Grants & Awards (Continued from Page 5)

• Dr. Ganga Ramdas, associate professor of Economics and Business Administration, received a one-year $25,000 grant from Pennsylvania Department of Education for the Summer Transportation Institute.

• Dr. Robert E. Millette, director, Global Studies Institute, received a one-year $20,400 grant from the U.S. Agency for International Development for the Tertiary Education Linkages Project.

• Emery Wimbish, Jr., director of Libraries, received a one-year, $16,737 grant from Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission for the Langston Hughes Memorial Library's Archives and Records Management area.

Kudos

• Dr. Emmanuel D. Babatunde, professor of Anthropology and director of the University's Honors Program, has several research articles that have been accepted for publication. Articles include: "Religion and Food: A Comparative Study of Tswana and Yoruba Nutritional Practices," Sociological Review; "Yoruba Families," International Encyclopedia of Families by the Macmillan Publishers; "Cultural Models for Behavior Modification of the Youth: A Comparative Study of the Amish;" and "The Yoruba and Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints," Lincoln Journal of Social and Political Thought (Lincoln University).

• Dr. K. Ramachandra Bhat, professor of Chemistry, was a presenter at the meeting of the American Society of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology in Orlando, Fla. during Spring 2002

• Dr. Marilyn Button, professor of English, was awarded a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities to participate in a summer seminar entitled, "The Reform of Reason: Rhetoric and Religion in Victorian England." Her special project includes researching and editing a scholarly edition of the Canterbury City Mission Journal of 1972. Dr. Button was one of 15 scholars chosen from a national pool of applicants.

• Dr. William K. Dadson, chair and professor of Economics and Business Administration, introduced new software for his department and managed students on the Free Enterprise Team to its third regional championship.


• Dr. Misganaw Getaneh, assistant professor of Physics, has been working in a summer faculty fellowship program sponsored by the American Society of Engineering Education and Office of Naval Research during the summers of 2000, 2001, and 2002. Dr. Getaneh and his team at Naval Research Lab., in Washington, D.C., have been working on the Microchannel Plate detector for two dimensional ion imaging by secondary electron emission. The first series of papers on the subject has been submitted for publication in Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research A.

• Dr. Geneive Henry, visiting associate professor of Chemistry, had a paper to appear in The Journal of Agricultural Food Chemicals earlier this year entitled “Antioxidant and Cyclooxygenase Activities of Fatty Acids Found in Food.”

• Dr. Jeffrey Hoogeveen, associate professor of English, signed a contract with Mellen Publishers for a book entitled, Student Desire for Writing Instruction: History Theory and Classroom Practice.

• Cyrus Jones, associate professor and athletic director, led the men's track team to a second place finish at the NCAA Division III Nationals earlier this year.

• Dr. Linda Childs-Leatherbury, visiting instructor, Economics and Business Administration, conducted a basic Excel training workshop for several professors as part of faculty development and technology.

• Dr. Lenetta Lee, assistant professor, English, has a dissertation scheduled for publication entitled, “African American Images in Children's Literature.” The dissertation is expected to be published during the 2002-03 school academic year.

• Dr. Zoran Milovanovich, professor, Sociology and Anthropology, developed a University Web site devoted to Lincoln's Criminal Justice Program.

• Dr. Ganga P. Ramdas, professor of Economics and Business Administration, had two articles published in the History Department's new publication, Lincoln Journal of Social and Political Thought. One article focused on why capitalism works in the Western world and fails in other parts of the world. The piece addressed utilitarian ethics.

• Abdulalim Abdullah Shabazz, distinguished professor of Mathematics, has been honored with a presentation featuring scenes from his life by AYA (acronym denoting the fern symbol for Ghana, means resourcefulness, independence and endurance) Educational Institute and Clark University in Atlanta. Dr. Shabazz is a former professor of mathematics at Atlanta University. ■
The U.S. Postal Service has honored two of Lincoln’s distinguished alumni – world-acclaimed poet Langston Hughes ’29, and famed civil rights attorney and U.S. Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall ’30 – for their outstanding achievements with commemorative stamps.

The Postal Service also has written University President Ivory V. Nelson, Ph.D., thanking him and others for expressing early support for the issuance of a commemorative stamp honoring Marshall.

**Marshall Stamp available in January**

Hughes’ stamp was issued February 1, 2002; the stamp for Justice Marshall will be available for sale in January 2003. Issuance of commemorative stamps for two graduates of the same institution is an unprecedented distinction for any educational institution.

“Lincoln University is proud of the fact that for the second time in about a year, two of its alumni are being honored with a commemorative stamp for having impacted and reshaped America,” President Nelson said.

President Nelson added: "This recognition is an unprecedented distinction for any educational institution. In fact, this is great news for Lincoln also because Justice Marshall’s commemorative stamp will be issued next year when Lincoln begins the celebration of a major milestone in its illustrious history, the University’s sesquicentennial or 150th anniversary.”

Hughes’ stamp commemorated both the centennial of his birth and the 25th anniversary of the Black Heritage series. Justice Marshall will be honored with a first-class, 37-cent stamp to commemorate his championing of civil and equal rights, including developing the legal strategy to end segregation in America’s schools. Justice Marshall, who served with distinction on the Supreme Court from 1967 to 1991, died in 1993.

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**LASER Program:**

The program at the Office of Naval Research (ONR) that funded Lincoln’s Advanced Science and Engineering Reinforcement (LASER) program and similar programs at other colleges has been discontinued. LASER’s Director Dr. Robert Langley is currently seeking funding to support the continuation of this very successful program.

ONR has notified Lincoln that it will pursue a new initiative for its Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) and Majority Institutions (MI) program. The new HBCU/MI research and education program that includes faculty and student research at a Naval laboratory and undergraduate and graduate student financial support, is based on the model that Lincoln piloted for the LASER Program under Dr. Langley. ONR has commended Dr. Langley “for developing and designing an innovative program that anticipated and successfully addressed naval needs.”

**Traffic Safety:**

Following the fatal accident in April on Baltimore Pike that took the lives of two Lincoln students, the University reopened efforts to reduce the speed limit near the campus on the stretch of the Pike between Ashmun Avenue and Elkdale Road. Officials from Lower and Upper Oxford Townships (Pa.) state government representatives, and members of the University Board of Trustees joined the University in its attempt to make this particular portion of Baltimore Pike safer for students and the community-at-large.

In a letter dated August 2, 2002, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Transportation reported that "based on the engineering and traffic studies performed, reduced speed zones cannot be justified."

However, because this issue is critical to the enhanced safety of our students, Lincoln is continuing to lobby for the reduction of the speed limit on this segment of Baltimore Pike immediately adjacent to the campus.

In the meantime, Lower Oxford Township has installed "Stop Sign Ahead" signs at the intersection of Township Road and Baltimore Pike. Reflective strips also have been installed on the stop signs on Township and Elkdale Roads.

**Campus Radio Station:**

On July 6, 2002, the call-sign letters for Lincoln’s radio station were changed to WWLU. Long Island University had approached Lincoln about obtaining its previous call-sign letters, WLIU. As part of the agreement, Long Island University assumed the responsibility for all costs associated with the change; provided Lincoln with used broadcast equipment in good working order; and purchased some new broadcast equipment items for Lincoln.

The new acquisition of equipment has enabled Lincoln to progress from broadcasting mono at only three watts to broadcasting in stereo at 10 watts. The University’s new license renewal and station type allow Lincoln to increase up to 100 watts.
In what can truly be described as a celebration of the Langston Hughes ’29 legacy and the countless other writers, poets, musicians and fine artists he inspired, Lincoln University’s Langston Hughes Memorial Library, the

**Alumni Contributors**

A list of Lincoln University’s alumni contributors was published in the Autumn 2002 edition of the *Lincoln Lion*. The following alumni are added to that listing:

- **Linda M. Franklin ’72** - $1,500
- **Robert Johnson ’67** - $1,000
- **Herman Lawson ’67** - $1,000
- **Edward Hill ’67** - $500
- **Richard Williams ’67** - $500
- **James Prewitt ’66** - $250
- **Baxter Smith ’66** - $250
- **Anthony Zanfordino ’91** - $250

**Langston Hughes Centennial Conference Brings Favorite Sons Home**

Lectures and Recitals Committee, the Philadelphia Foundation and Alumni Friends of the Library, presented the Langston Hughes Centennial Conference October 17-19. The three-day conference, which was open to the public, showcased many of Hughes’ writings which are part of the Langston Hughes Memorial Library’s special collections.

Among the conference’s many presentations and special guests were “The Lincoln Lion Poetic Legacy of Langston Hughes” on October 18 which featured “The Lincoln Poets” pictured here. All of the poets were inspired by Hughes.

Pictured from left are: Ja Jahannes ’64, Eric Webb ’91, Emery Wimbish, Jr., director of Libraries; Everett Hoagland ’64, and Oliver Franklin ’66.