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## Judge Gordon Speaks at Alumni-Student Homecoming Luncheon



*The Hon. Levan Gordon*

Philadelphia Common Pleas Court Judge Levan Gordon, '57 in his keynote speech at the 1987 Homecoming Annual Alumni-Student Luncheon urged his fellow alumni to increase their financial support to their alma mater. His remarks were well-received by the more than 200 Lincoln graduates who participated in Homecoming Day activities on Saturday, October 24.

Judge Gordon is a Lincoln trustee, member of the Board of the National Association of Blacks in Criminal Justice, and former president of Lincoln's General Alumni Association.

Other luncheon participants were Cordelia Talley, '72, vice president of General Alumni Association (East Coast); Dr. H. Alfred Farrell, '34, secretary of the General Alumni Association; Dr. Niara Sudarkasa, president of Lincoln University; and Dr. Frank T. Coleman, '35, director of Alumni Relations, who presided.

This year's Homecoming theme was "To Thee We'll E'er Be True," the second line of Lincoln's alma mater. Activities began with morning meetings of the Council of the General Alumni Association in Grim Hall Auditorium and the Ladies Auxiliary in the Guest House.

The Ladies Auxiliary also elected new officers. They are Dorothy Cuff, president; Goldye Johnson, vice-president; Priscilla Stokes, treasurer; Ella Forbes, financial secretary; Rosa Oates, recording secretary; and Anna Wilson, corresponding secretary.

An afternoon parade featured local bands, Andrea Ward (Miss Lincoln University 1987-88), and floats and cars designed and decorated by student organizations in competition for cash prizes.

"The Ultimate Homecoming Party," a rock concert starring Shannon, Sybil and Octavia, sponsored by the Office of Student Activities, was held on Saturday evening in Manuel Rivero Hall; it was followed by the Senior Class Dance in the Student Union Building.

Homecoming athletic events included a soccer match (Eastern—4, Lions—0), women's volleyball game

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*Dr. Niara Sudarkasa*

## Dr. Niara Sudarkasa Inaugurated as Lincoln's Eleventh President

Dr. Niara Sudarkasa was inaugurated as Lincoln's eleventh, and first woman, president at a convocation held in Manuel Rivero Hall on October 10. Over 600 persons, including area, state, national and international dignitaries, attended the two-hour ceremony at Manuel Rivero Hall.

Her inaugural address, "When the Millenium Comes: The Case for Educational Equity in the 21st Century," brought a standing ovation.

"By increasing access to education for persons from all social and ethnic groups in America," said Dr. Sudarkasa, "the country improves the quality and the value of all its human capital."

Dr. Sudarkasa lamented unfound charges that opening up colleges and universities to minorities has led to a decline in academic quality—a reason given for the cutbacks in the recruitment of Blacks to predominantly white institutions. "The message is clear. Mainstream academia is pulling in the welcome mats it only recently laid out," she said.

She cited recent studies which show that even though the predominantly white colleges and universities enroll the majority of today's Black students, the Black colleges are still producing

the majority of the academics and professionals in many fields.

"The question . . . is not whether Black colleges and universities should survive, but rather in what ways should their roles differ in the next century," she said, adding that they should remain predominantly, but certainly not exclusively, Black.

Along with a diverse student body, the international tradition of Black colleges was described by Dr. Sudarkasa "as a strength on which to build." She also proposed that Black colleges pioneer in creating linkages with Third World institutions, establish more programs of academic cooperation and collaboration with predominantly white colleges, and continue to function as "special repositories of Black history, as guardians and preservers of Black culture, and as havens of revitalization and respite."

Presiding at the convocation were Board of Trustees chair LeRoy Robinson Jr. and vice-chair Dr. Shirley A. Jackson.

The Reverend LeRoy A. Patrick, '39, past chair of Lincoln's Board of Trustees, gave the Invocation; the Reverend Cecil DeBois Gallup, member of the Board of Trustees, the Benediction. □



*The Lincoln University Pep Team perform in Lincoln's 1987 Homecoming Day Parade.*

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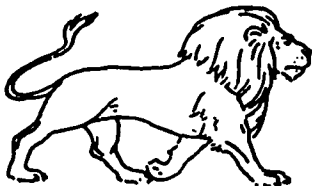
*From the  
Executive  
Secretary*

The Council of the General Alumni Association, which meets at Homecoming, in February, and at Commencement, is particularly desirous of considering members of reunion classes for Alumni Awards. In the past, few members of reunion classes have been recommended by class secretaries.

It is hoped that as secretaries plan for class reunions, they will recommend deserving classmates to the Executive Secretary. The Nominating Committee considers accomplishments, but any alumnus or alumna recommended for an Alumni Award must, by their past deeds, have been supportive of the University and the General Alumni Association. Accomplishments in a chosen field are not sufficient to guarantee selection as recipients of Alumni Awards, which are limited to three alumni.

Updated class lists are being prepared to be sent to the secretaries of the following reunion-year classes: 1928, 1933, 1938, 1943, 1948, 1953, 1958, 1963, 1968, 1973, 1978, and 1983. The lists, prepared by the Director of Alumni Relations, should be in the hands of secretaries early in the New Year.

Pertinent information about the Commencement weekend will also be sent so that meeting times can be arranged. Secretaries who fail to function should be replaced when classes hold their reunions and the Office of Alumni Relations is notified. □



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# Campus Scene



## Homecoming Contest Winners

The following, in order of placement, are the winners of Homecoming '87 student contests:

Parade Floats: Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Engineering and Physics Club, Russian Club.

Parade Decorated Cars: Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Class of '88.

Best Male Dorm: Ashmun Hall.

Best Female Dorm: McCauley Hall.

Good Housekeeping: Ashmun Hall—Room 221, Walter Palm, Eric Webb; Rendall Hall—Room 217, Garfield Yuille; McCrary Hall, Room 229, Jeffery Cooke; Frederick Douglass Hall (Tie)—Room 316, Terrance Leggett, James Nichols, and Room 307, Charles Byrd, Malik Taylor; Houston Hall—Room 305, Reginald Pate, Kenneth Groves; Hansberry Hall—Room 329, Evette Collier, Tracey Theobald; Lucy Laney Hall—Room 411, Marie Washington, Karyn Cleveland; McCauley Hall—Room 207, Kim Hall; Cresson Hall—Room 405, Sheron Mitchell, Nadine Council; Bond House—Room 101, Rochelle Collins, Jennifer Stephens. □

## Students Elect Miss Lincoln University 1987-88

Senior Andrea Ward, a 20-year old psychology major from Bronx, N.Y., was elected Miss Lincoln University 1987-88 on October 14.

A Dean's List student and third year resident advisor, Ms. Ward is a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Epsilon Nu Chapter; treasurer of Psi Chi National Honor Society in Psychology; a member and immediate past vice-president of Lincoln University Psychology Club; and a member of the Honor Society.

Ms. Ward plans to attend graduate school for continuing study in clinical psychology with an emphasis in adolescent counseling, and eventually establish a private practice and community service center for disadvantaged youth. Her hobbies are writing and horseback riding. □



Three college presidents (left to right), Dr. Gloria Scott, Bennett College, Greensboro, N.C.; Dr. Niara Sudarkasa, Lincoln University; and Dr. Johnnetta B. Cole, Spelman College, Atlanta, Ga., at Dr. Sudarkasa's Inaugural Convocation, October 10, 1987.

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Dr. J. Paul Stephens, assistant to the president and director of Institutional Advancement Program, peddles a variety of LU items at Homecoming Day, October 24, 1987, to benefit the University.

## Support Lincoln And The General Alumni Association



The Chester High School Band steps off in Homecoming Parade, October 24, 1987.

## Homecoming

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(Cheyney—3, Lions—0), and a cross country meet (participating schools in order of finish: Cabrini, Lincoln, University of D.C., University of Maryland—Eastern Shore, and Coppin State).

Other Homecoming Day highlights were a performance by the LU Dance Troupe, a Greek step show, the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Reunion, campus lawn vendors, and a Student Government Association (SGA)—sponsored student talent program.

On Friday, the SGA held "Mini-Olympics," and the Class of 1991 sponsored a pre-homecoming party. Sunday activities at the Mary Dod Brown Memorial Chapel included the 11 a.m. community worship service and an afternoon gospel music program with the Randolph Singers, the Ernest Saunders Family, and the Lincoln University Gospel Ensemble. □



LU senior David Lee, president of Omega Psi Phi-Beta Chapter, and sophomore Valerie McKinney, second runner-up to Miss Lincoln University 1987, participated in Homecoming Day Parade '87.



Guy A. Sims, '83, assistant director of Student Activities, Demetria D. Jones (with camera), '84, and Lincoln students await the Homecoming Day Parade, October 24.

## CLASS NOTES

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**DR. JOHN R. CUSTIS** has been listed in the first edition of "Who's Who in Biblical Studies and Archaeology Society."

Preacher, educator, writer and community leader, Dr. Custis was ordained in 1940 and now serves as an associate minister at the Zion Baptist Church in Philadelphia. His graduate work includes seminary training at Andover Newtown Theological Seminary, Newton Centre, Mass.; master's and doctoral degrees in sacred theology, Temple University's Conwell School of Theology; master of theology, Princeton Seminary; and post-doctoral study at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia. He has taught at Virginia Seminary and College, Lynchburg, Va.; mathematics for the Philadelphia School System; in the Pennsylvania Baptist State Congress of Christian Education; and in the Senior Citizens Bible Education Program in Philadelphia.

Dr. Custis serves as president of the New Era Theological Institute, Philadelphia; President of the Association for the Study of Afro-American Life and History; member of the Baptist Ministers' Conference of Philadelphia and Vicinity, the Missionary Baptist

Pastors' Conference of Philadelphia and Vicinity, the Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Mission Convention, Evening Baptist Ministers' Conference of Philadelphia and Vicinity, Society of Biblical Literature, and the American Academy of Religion.

The recipient of numerous recognition awards, Dr. Custis lectures extensively on "The Black Religious Experience," a course which covers religions in Africa and the Afro-American religious experience. He and his wife, the former Elizabeth Bond, have three children and nine grandchildren.

'41

**FRANKLIN WILLIAMS, Esq.,** received the degree Doctor of Humane Letters, honoris causa, from Macalester College in St. Paul, Minn., on May 23, 1987, for his "exemplary life as leader and spokesperson for justice (and) personal example of commitment to the well-being of mankind throughout the world." The degree is Williams' ninth honorary doctorate.

President of the Phelps-Stokes Fund in New York City, Williams was responsible for the establishment of the African Student Aid Fund and the Southern African Refugee Scholarship

# CLASS NOTES



*Dr. William E. Bennett, '50, (left) receives the honorary degree, Doctor of Science, from Dr. Louis W. Sullivan, president of the Morehouse College School of Medicine at convocation ceremonies on October 9, 1987, in Atlanta, Ga.*

Fund. His career includes serving as attorney general of California, U.S. ambassador to Ghana, U.S. representative to the United Nations, special counsel to the National Association for Advancement of Colored People, and regional director for the U.S. Peace Corps in Africa.

'50

**DR. WILLIAM E. BENNETT** received the honorary degree, Doctor of Science, from the Morehouse School of Medicine (MSM) at convocation ceremonies on October 9. He was cited for "many long hours . . . creative ideas . . . patience and perserverance which made possible the institution which we are a part of today . . . and involvement in the development of more than seven new medical schools in the United States from 1970-81, including the Morehouse School of Medicine, the first minority-oriented medical school founded in the twentieth century."

Holder of a master's degree in microbiology from Temple University in Philadelphia and a Ph.D. in immunology from the University of Pennsylvania, Dr. Bennett completed a postdoctoral fellowship at the Rockefeller University, where he developed the first reported procedures for the harvesting of pure cultures of monocytes from circulating blood.

Dr. Bennett has taught at Meharry Medical College, was chief of the Immunopathology Section, Division of Pathology at the U.S. Biological Laboratory in Frederick, Maryland, and joined the National Institutes of Health (NIH) in 1969. Since 1982, he has served as Chief of Research Manager Development at the National Institute for Allergy and Infectious Disease of the NIH.

## Class of 1955 Elects Officers

At its October meeting, the Class of 1955 elected Joseph B. Kenney, president; Dr. Lances T. McKnight, secretary; and Robert Davis, treasurer.

'56

**DR. DONALD L. WHITE** has been appointed Director of the Review and Evaluation Staff of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Food Safety and Inspection Service. He formerly served as executive assistant to the assistant deputy administrator for Regional Operations, Meat and Poultry Inspection, as deputy director for the Northeastern Region, and in various other positions since he joined FSIS in 1965.

Dr. White received his D.V.M. degree from the Tuskegee University in Alabama and holds a master's degree in public health from Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore. His wife, Dr. Jean White, is chair of Lincoln's Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation.

'63

**SYLVESTER MURRAY** has joined the firm of Coopers & Lybrand, certified public accountants in Columbus, Ohio, as a management consultant.



Lloyd M. Wright

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**Lloyd M. Wright**, of Philadelphia, wishes to remind members of his class about their 50th reunion during the Commencement weekend, April 30-May 1, 1988.



## 1988 Commencement Weekend

Saturday,  
April 30, 1988

Alumni/-nae-Student  
Banquet

Sunday,  
May 1, 1988

Baccalaureate Service  
and  
Commencement  
Exercises

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**HAROLD H. WILSON** is training manager of operations for Discover Card Services, Inc., Lincolnshire, Ill.

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**VANCE F. BOWERS JR.** is a sales supervisor at Herr Foods, Inc., in Nottingham, Pa.

'74

**RICARDO JOHNSON** is a registered representative in the Philadelphia office of First Investors Corporation.

'76

**HENRY LANCASTER II** and **DONNA WILLIAMS LANCASTER** became the parents of a baby boy, Henry Malik III, on July 22.

'83

**ALLEN L. WILKINS**, of Harrisburg, Pa., is logistics elements manager at the Navy Ships Parts Control Center in Mechanicsburg, Pa.

'85

**LaDONIA PARKER WILKINS**, of Harrisburg, Pa., is a staff accountant with the American Water Works in Hershey, Pa. □

# Friends



Clasping hands in reunion are three members of the Class of 1937: (left to right) Clyde Atwell, George Gladstone Durant, and Dr. George Marshall.



Grace J. Frankowsky (left), director of Lincoln's Campus Visitors Information Bureau, and Dorothy Woods, the newest member of the on-campus chapter of the LU Ladies Auxiliary, on Homecoming Day, October 24, 1987.



Judge Levan Gordon (left), '57, Lincoln trustee and speaker at the Homecoming Alumni-Student Luncheon, and Robert Myers, an Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity national official, pause for the camera on Homecoming Day, October 24, 1987.

## In Memoriam

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**DR. HARRISON EDWARD MEEKINS** died on April 25, 1987. A retired dentist, he resided in Philadelphia.

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Dr. Hildrus A. Poindexter, a 1924 graduate, cum laude, of Lincoln University, died April 28, 1987, in Washington, D.C., following an illness of about one year. He was 85.

Born in Memphis, Tenn., in 1901, Dr. Poindexter was the sixth of 11 children. At the age of five, he began dreaming of being a physician—due, in part, to a desire to receive the same respect that was accorded the local Black doctor who was to become his role model and mentor.

The dream turned into a life of service to others, and Dr. Poindexter achieved success as a physician, author, scholar, educator, scientist, military man, and Mason of the highest rank—a giant among men on whom hundreds of awards and honors were bestowed.

(See his complete obituary in the Summer 1987 Edition of *The Lincoln Lion*.)

What was this giant's philosophy of life? Here are his thoughts on the subject.

Dr. Hildrus A. Poindexter  
(1901 — 1987)

### My Philosophy of Life:

*"Live a life conducive to equanimity and let death be a phase of calm and dignity.*

*Work is a virtue. Treat it with respect. Let all remunerations reflect labor performed. Try to justify longevity as extended time to do more to help mankind. The love and service to mankind should have no national or ethnic boundaries. Seek and accept Divine guidance daily in the firm belief that the spirit of man is immortal. Mankind will survive and improve inspite of radiation threats. Count your blessings. They sometimes come in small packages."*

'27

**DR. WILBUR H. STRICKLAND**, 84, died on May 3, 1987. A practicing physician for 51 years, he earned his medical degree from Howard University and did post graduate work at the Graduate School of the University of Pennsylvania, New York University Post Graduate College of Medicine, and Harvard University.

Dr. Strickland practiced medicine in Philadelphia, held teaching posts at Temple University and Philadelphia General Hospitals, served on the staffs of Mercy and Douglass Hospitals, and

later, when the two hospitals merged, as medical director of Mercy-Douglass Hospital. He also served as examining physician for the Pennsylvania Athletic Commission.

In 1943, Dr. Strickland entered the Medical Corp of the U.S. Army and served as Chief of Medical Service at Station Hospital No. 1 in Fort Huachuca, Ariz., and then as commanding officer of the 335th Station Hospital in the China, Burma-India Theatre.

Affectionately known as "Strick," he was the Grand Medical Director of the I.B.P.O.E. of W. (Elks) and a member of the Presidential Task Force on Aging, the White House Task Force on Aging, the National Medical Association, state and county medical societies, Alpha Phi Alpha, Alpha Boule, and a number of boards and commissions.

Dr. Strickland is survived by Charlotte West Strickland, to whom he was married for 59 years, and a sister, Sarah Strickland Scott.

'28

**DR. HARVEY MCKINLEY DIGGS**, 84, of Suffolk, Va., died on September 10.

A retired general practitioner, Dr. Diggs received his medical degree from Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Tenn. He was a member of the Board of Trustees of Suffolk First Baptist Church, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Omega Psi Phi fraternity, national and state medical associations, and Mount Vernon Masonic Lodge 48. His survivors include his wife, Alma Butts Diggs, and a daughter and a son.

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**ROBERT LEE SPRUILL, SR.**, 74, died on July 25, 1987, in Fayetteville, N.C. Author of a published book of original poems, *"Lines of Our Times,"* Spruill organized and served on the trustee board of the Philadelphia Baptist Church in Jacksonville, Fla., and was a past-member of the church's Male Chorus. His affiliations included the Garden City Elks Lodge, American Legion, VFW, Esquire Sportsmen's Club, Toastmaster's International Club #2346, Lillian R. Bradley Toastmasters, and the LSAC Committee of the William M. Raines High School.

Survivors include two sons: Robert Spruill Jr. of Jacksonville, and Leon Spruill of Baltimore, Md., one grandson, two brothers, and five sisters. □



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The Rev. Dr. LeRoy Patrick, '39, past chair of Lincoln's board of trustees, and his wife, Norma, at Inaugural Conference luncheon, October 8, 1987.



# Historic Conference on Black Education Marks Inauguration of Dr. Niara Sudarkasa



Dr. Niara Sudarkasa, eleventh president of Lincoln, (second from left) and Inaugural Conference speakers (left to right) Dr. Ali A. Mazrui, University of Michigan; Dr. Ruth Simms Hamilton, Michigan State University; and Dr. Joseph E. Harris, Howard University, and University of Nairobi in Kenya.

The inauguration of Dr. Niara Sudarkasa as Lincoln's eleventh president was marked by a major historic conference dealing with the future of Blacks in higher education.

"Black Education into the 21st Century," a two-day conference held October 8 and 9 at the Lincoln campus, preceded Dr. Sudarkasa's inaugural convocation in Manuel Rivero Hall on October 10.

The first symposium, "African/Afro-American Linkages into the 21st Century," focused on educational alliances among Black Americans, Africans, and

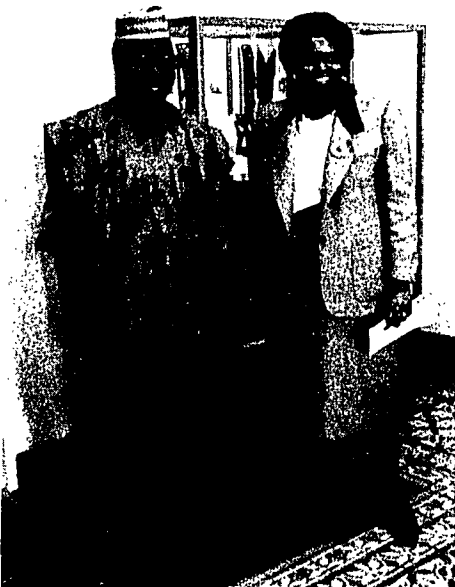
people of African descent around the world. At the opening luncheon, the keynote address, "History and Future: African and Afro-American Linkages," was delivered by Dr. Elliott P. Skinner, the Franz Boas Professor of Anthropology at Columbia University, former U.S. Ambassador to Upper Volta, author, and recognized expert in the areas of African ethnology and race relations.

At the October 8th Plenary Session, Dr. Ali A. Mazrui, a professor of political science at The University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, and author and narrator of the influential television series, *The Africans*, spoke on "Black Americans and Black South Africans: The Dual Vanguard of the 21st Century."

Dr. Joseph E. Harris, a professor of history and associate dean of the College of Liberal Arts at Howard University, spoke on "Afro-Americans and Private Diplomacy: A Case from the Italo-Ethiopian War."

The session's final speaker was Dr. Ruth S. Hamilton, professor of sociology, Urban Affairs and African Studies, and director of the African Diaspora Research Project, at Michigan State University, who spoke on "Africa and the African Diaspora in the Late 20th Century World Economy."

October 9th's Conference theme was "Black Education into the 21st Century: Issues and Agenda." Moderating Presidential Plenary Session I, "Blacks in Majority Institutions: Issues of Access and Success," was Dr. Barbara W. Newell, a regents professor at Florida State University and former delegate to the United Nations Education, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO).



Internationally known Nigerian sculptor Lamidi Fakeye, whose work was exhibited at Vail Hall throughout the inaugural activities, and Dr. Niara Sudarkasa.

The session was opened by Dr. Bernard W. Harleston, president of City College of the City University of New York, whose topic was "Access and Pluralism: Higher Education's Most Urgent Challenge."

Peter J. Liacouras, president of Temple University, spoke on "Opening Up the Pipeline: Challenges for Black Graduate and Professional Education."

"Black Students in Predominantly White Colleges: The Changing Challenge" was the topic of Dr. Wilbert J. LeMelle, president of Mercy College of Dobbs Ferry in New York, who concluded that Black students function better in predominantly Black institutions.

At the October 9th luncheon, Dr. Mary Frances Berry, a member of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, delivered the keynote speech, "Faculty Diversity in the Pursuit of Excellence."

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Shirley M. Dennis, director of the women's bureau of the U.S. Department of Labor, and 1986 Lincoln honorary degree recipient, attended the inauguration of Dr. Niara Sudarkasa on October 10.



The Boys Choir of Harlem performing in honor of Dr. Niara Sudarkasa's inauguration, Mary Dod Brown Memorial Chapel, October 8, 1987.



Dr. William E. Gardner (left), vice president for Academic Affairs, and Dr. Joseph B. Johnson, president of Grambling State University in Louisiana, at Inaugural Conference Presidential Plenary Session II, October 9, 1987. Dr. Gardner presided at the session; and Dr. Johnson, who is also chairman of the National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education (NAFEO), spoke on "Leading the Way: The Role of Black Colleges in American Higher Education."

# Historic Conference

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Dr. Ruth S. Hamilton, from Michigan State University, spoke on "Educating Black Students: Perspectives from the African Diaspora" at the Inaugural Conference Plenary Session on October 8, 1987.

The conference's final session, "Presidential Plenary Session II: Black Colleges in the 21st Century," was moderated by Dr. LeVerne McCummings, president of Cheyney University, who expressed appreciation that Dr. Sudarkasa's inaugural activities included the conference as well as a ceremony, thereby providing an unique "opportunity to discuss the issues which today are facing our people and our society."

Dr. Joseph B. Johnson, president of Grambling State University, spoke on "Leading the Way: The Role of Black Colleges in American Higher Education."

"Keeping the Options Open: The Issue of Choice in Higher Education for Afro-American Women" was the topic of Dr. Johnnetta Cole, the first Black woman to head Spelman College in Atlanta, Georgia, and president of the International Women's Anthropology Conference.



Sue Jane Smock, internationally known woodcut artist whose works were exhibited throughout inaugural activities, and Dr. Niara Sudarkasa at an Inaugural Conference session in Ware Center Little Theater.

The conference's final address, "Removing the Financial Constraints on Black Access and Success in Higher Education," was delivered by Dr. Robert L. Albright, '66, president of Johnson C. Smith University, who told at-

tendants there are three qualities "imperative to the survival" of small historically Black universities: strong high quality academic programs, a strong endowment, and strong fiscal management." □



LeRoy Robinson Jr., chair of Lincoln's board of trustees, chats with two unidentified ladies at the Inaugural Dinner Dance on October 9.



Dr. Niara Sudarkasa's uncle, Basil Bain of The Bahamas, (left) shakes hands with Inaugural Conference speaker Dr. Joseph E. Harris, professor of history and associate dean of the College of Liberal Arts, Howard University, as Dr. Sudarkasa looks on.

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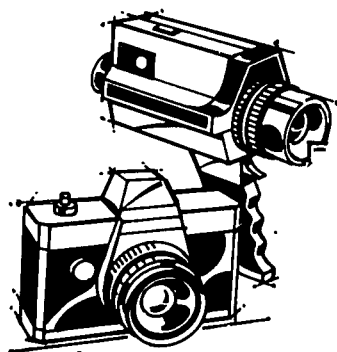


(Left to right) Dr. William E. Gardner, vice president for Academic Affairs; LeRoy Robinson Jr., chair of the Board of Trustees; and Pennsylvania State Rep. Gordon J. Linton, '70, trustee, at Inaugural Conference, October 8 and 9, 1987.



Dr. Ali A. Mazrui (second from left), professor of political science and former director of the Center for Afroamerican and African Studies at The University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, and author and narrator of the influential television series *The Africans*, shakes hands with Lamidi Fakeye, internationally known Nigerian sculptor, whose work was exhibited at Lincoln throughout the inaugural activities. Dr. Mazrui spoke on "Black Americans and Black South Africans: The Dual Vanguard of the 21st Century" at the two-day inaugural conference, "Black Education into the 21st Century."

## Snap Shots



Lamidi Fakeye, internationally known Nigerian sculptor, whose work was exhibited at Lincoln throughout the inaugural activities.

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Chief (Mrs.) Opral Benson, representing the International Women's Society of Nigeria, (right) was an honored platform guest at the Inauguration of Dr. Niara Sudarkasa.

## 1988 Homecoming Week

Sunday,  
October 16, 1988  
through  
Sunday,  
October 23, 1988

Alumni  
Homecoming Day:  
Saturday,  
October 22, 1988



Ambassador Franklin H. Williams, '41 president of Phelps-Stokes Fund and LU trustee, who donated several Ethiopian art pieces to Lincoln in honor of the Inauguration, chats with an unidentified guest at an Inaugural Conference luncheon.



Francine Walls, an off-campus vendor of All-Seasons Sportswear, participated in Homecoming 1987 Vendors Day.

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*LU senior John T. Clendenin, president of the Student Government Association and a speaker at the Inaugural Convocation on October 10, and inaugural participant Collette Matthews, a freshman.*

**The  
Inauguration,  
Education Conference,  
and  
Other Inaugural  
Activities**

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*Dr. Niara Sudarkasa, eleventh president of Lincoln University, at her Inaugural Dinner Dance on October 9.*

**See front cover and inside for more on  
Homecoming '87**



*Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority representatives Gineen Gray (left) and Wilanda Thomas on the car decorated by that organization in the 1987 Homecoming Day parade on October 24.*