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Lincoln University 132nd Commencement Honors Achievement in the Sciences

Before an audience estimated to exceed 4,000 parents, siblings, classmates, alumni and well-wishers, Lincoln conferred 190 bachelor's and 92 Master of Human Services degrees at the University's 132nd commencement exercises held in Manuel Rivero Hall on May 5.

University President Niara Sudarkasa conferred honorary Doctor of Science degrees upon Alvin F. Poussaint, M.D., author, human rights activist and Harvard Medical School professor; Mae C. Jemison, M.D., NASA astronaut and humanitarian; Dr. Chimere Ikoku, vice-chancellor of the University of Nigeria at Nsukka; and Carl M. Mansfield, M.D. '51, a specialist in radiation oncology and nuclear medicine at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital.

In his charge to the graduates, Dr. Poussaint reminded them of Malcolm X's admonition: "Education is our passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who partake of it today." The script consultant to "The Cosby Show" and "A Different World" called upon Black people and other minorities to rid themselves of a "minority personality" that is passive and keeps them in a minority position. He encouraged the graduates to be "in-charge people" and exhorted them to take risks and have vision. "Do not be satisfied with the average," he said. "We have to pull on and seek the resources inside to make us go forward...it is better to try hard and fail than to not try at all."

Each of the remaining honorees addressed the commencement audience following the rewarding of their degrees. Introduced as a "sky-soaring, star-reaching, trail-blazing soul-sister," astronaut Mae Jemison pointed out that science was not just a series of abstract equations, numbered galaxies, or thermodynamic laws. "Those are just the language of



Lincoln University Commencement '91: (left to right) President Niara Sudarkasa, honorary degree recipients Dr. Alvin F. Poussaint, Dr. Chimere Ikoku, Dr. Mae C. Jemison, Dr. Carl Mansfield '51; and Dr. Bernard Anderson, chair of the Board of Trustees.

science," she said. "At the heart of science are the words, 'I think, I wonder, I understand.' Science is the search for understanding."

Dr. Jemison said she sincerely believed that science and understanding could develop solutions to the world's problems. She implored the graduates to learn, strive and grow. "Don't let people limit you because of their limited imagination.... We can do anything we want with each second (of our life)," she said, "but we can never get a single second back."

A chemist, educator, university leader and international champion of human rights, Dr. Ikoku remarked that the historic task facing Black leaders in politics, in business, and in the arts and the sciences on both sides of the Atlantic is to provide "the

international Black movement with rhythm and momentum along a visionary new trajectory." The success of this movement "will bring into their own some half a billion people. And through the uplifting of this down-trodden and disadvantaged mass," he said, "lies the emancipation of all humankind."

Following a citation of his accomplishments as an outstanding oncologist and nuclear medicine specialist seeking relief and cure for cancer victims, Dr. Mansfield noted that no one person could take sole credit for the development of any invention, concept or accomplishment since the predecessors and contemporaries of that individual had made vital contributions to the feat. He gave thanks to God, his family, fellow

Lincoln students and professors, and his wife.

Also recognized at the ceremony on the 80th anniversary of his graduation was Lincoln's oldest surviving graduate, William Mobile Ashby '11, author and founder of the Urban Leagues of Springfield, Illinois, the State of New Jersey and the City of Elizabeth, New Jersey. Mr. Ashby, who subsequently passed away on May 17, was honored for his years of generous and distinguished contributions to the enhancement of human understanding.

The ceremony was the culmination of an alumni reunion weekend which began Friday evening and included a Lincoln University Concert Choir tribute to the late Ambassador Franklin Williams '41, former chair of the University's board of trustees, and Baccalaureate Services held on Sunday morning featuring noted theologian, educator and author Dr. Henry H. Mitchell '41.

Class of 1991 honor graduates are **Summa cum laude:** Leandra A. Casson (valedictorian), Sister John E. Callaghan, Janice L. Zimmerman; **Magna cum laude:** John W. Caraway, Carmella S. Harrigan, Irene Marshall, Arijuna N. Spenser, Carla J. Stovall, Lorrinn C. Woods; **Cum laude:** Arvis Booker, Chesiree Z. Catron, Tiffany L. Clemons, Yolonda L. Cooper, Dawnita C. Dreher, David A. Garcia, Sharon E. Jerry-Bandan, Richard Lowe III, Christopher J. O'Brien, Monica Patterson, Venice E. Pickering, Yvette C. Scott, Mark J. Smith, and Lisa M. Valentine.

The Response from the Class was made by Leandra A. Casson, Senior Class President. The Lincoln University Concert Choir, directed by Gwendolyn Foster and accompanied by Allen Foster, offered selections at both Commencement and the Baccalaureate Service.

From the Desk of Dr. J. Paul Stephens '68

DIRECTOR OF ALUMNI RELATIONS



Dr. J. Paul Stephens, '68

By the time you receive this edition of the *Lion*, my family and I will have resettled to Durham, NC. My spouse, Janet Smith Dickerson, will serve as Vice President for Student Affairs at Duke University. Our move will be a challenging time in our lives, fraught with regrets of leaving good friends and plans unfulfilled in our respective work places. Yet, like many, we find new challenges and more friends in new opportunities. We are deeply appreciative of the many congratulatory wishes we have received so far, and I look forward to returning to Lincoln time and again in the years ahead.

Time has passed too quickly since I accepted President Sudarkasa's challenge of reorganizing the Office of Alumni Relations two years ago. It

seemed an awesome chore, the one of following in the footsteps of such giants as H. Alfred Farrell '34 and Frank 'Tick' Coleman '35. The two come immediately to mind to those among us who have worked to galvanize the body of the Lincoln University alumni into a presence of some strength and vision in the direction of the University. We are all blessed by their continuing efforts to serve us as alumni and our great institution. Additionally, I could cite many more alumni, Moose Parker, Jazz Byrd, Joe Bailey, William Mercer, the late Franklin Williams, Jereleigh Archer, the Atwell brothers, the Shropshires and others too numerous to name here who I have come to know first hand as devoted to Lincoln by their continual presence here on campus. There are many, many others who I have spoken with over the phone, met briefly at reunions and receptions, and corresponded with who are united by a common sentiment that they and Lincoln are inextricably bound by ties of reputation and history.

But we are in need of some new Moose Parkers! Lincoln is the greater sum of its many parts: students, faculty, alumni, staff, spouses, children, etc. Decide today to do more for Lincoln.

From the outset it has been my personal mission to bring to the Office of Alumni Relations an attitude of service and dependability in assisting you. I am an educator. And my overarching objective has been to educate you, Lincoln's alumni body, in understanding the critical need for your involvement in providing for the needs of your Alma Mater. As I've commented time and again, there are

many different ways you can help to keep Lincoln strong. Money, yes, and more and more are responding nicely to the President's appeals for annual gifts to the Alumni Endowed Scholarship. But the Honor Roll remains woefully thin and absent of those who were launched from Lincoln — propelled by its special experience both inside and out of the classroom.

I am pleased and proud that during my tenure as Director I oversaw the production of a new Alumni Directory, assisted the Alumni Association with its Watch Program, introduced a policy of assisting reunion classes and alumni chapters with mailings from the campus, and stabilized our data base of alumni names and addresses to more accurately identify occupations and service affiliations. More importantly, I have tried to provide a foundation from which my successor can build and learn from in making it possible for more alumni to believe they have a stake in Lincoln's future.

Join me, as I depart this place, in renewing your commitment to Lincoln. I have suggested the many ways of doing so before, but in brief you will show your care for Lincoln by joining and participating in the Alumni Association; returning for Homecoming and reunions regularly; alerting the Alumni Office to address changes, occupational accomplishments, and civic activities; organizing and supporting chapter events; directing good students to Lincoln; planning your estate to include Lincoln; and, generally, serving as Lincoln's ambassador among friends and colleagues so they will know of your support.

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Members of the Class of 1941, following a brunch in their honor on May 3, with President Niara Sudarkasa (far left), honorary degree recipient Dr. Chimere Ikoku (eighth from left), and Mrs. Shirley Williams (behind and to right of Dr. Ikoku).

From the Desk of Dr. H. Alfred Farrell '34

ALUMNI EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

At the annual meeting of the General Alumni Association on May 4, the body

— listened to a State-of-the-University message from President Niara Sudarkasa and Vice Presidents Ronald Sheehy (Academic Affairs), Charles Edington (Enrollment Planning and Student Life), and Lloyd Asparagus (Fiscal Affairs);

— approved the minutes of the 1990 annual meeting;

— was given a summary of the morning meeting of The Council which

* received the Executive Secretary's report which dealt chiefly with the formation of a Pre-Alumni Council;

* listened to remarks of the Director of Alumni Relations, Dr. J. Paul Stephens, who referred to the activities for the weekend;

* received the report of the treasurer, Joseph V. Williams Jr., who explained and received permission to create LUPAT (Lincoln University Pennsylvania Alumni Trust), an entity providing a conduit for class/memorial scholarships, life membership funds, special bequests/memorials, and endowment funds and thus allowing the Association to separate escrow funds from operating funds;

* heard from alumni trustee, Dr. Kenneth Sadler, who described Dr. Sudarkasa's strategic plan to incorporate all parts of the University in the strategic planning and set up a time line by September 1991; reported 675 new admissions for this fall and rising SAT scores; announced that the University would be offering scholarships



Dr. H. Alfred Farrell, '34.

to students with SAT scores of 1000 or more as an incentive to attend Lincoln; and referred to developments at the Barnes Foundation.

— heard the report of the president of the Association, Thelma L. Hill, who stressed the need for alumni support in activating chapters and establishing new chapters and indicated that some progress is being made.

Under new business the body approved the setting up of a committee to implement a phone-o-thon, to be chaired by Herschel Bailey, for the purpose of increasing memberships and seeking contributions of \$25 or more to the Association.

At the Annual Alumni Banquet, held also on May 4, Alumni Achievement Awards were presented to Donald L. Mullett '51; Robert L. Albright '66; and Jean Melvin-Martin '71. The nomination of Albert P. Williams '40 to the Board of Trustees and the nomination of Dolores Coleman '72 to another term on the Board were also announced.

From the Desk of Thelma L. Hill '71

PRESIDENT, GENERAL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Commencement weekend at Lincoln University was held May 3-5 1991, and many alumni were in attendance. Many of us arrived on campus Friday afternoon, evening, and "around midnight" determined not to miss a minute of the weekend's activities.

On Friday evening, the "Phi and Pi" dinner took place in the dining room, a pool party was held in the natatorium, and the hospitality center was located in Hansberry Lounge, which was also the check-in site.

On Saturday morning the Alumni Council was in session, and various issues were discussed. Here alumni had the opportunity to voice their comments and address issues concerning the association. These items were presented at the Annual Alumni Meeting which was held that afternoon. Additionally, President Sudarkasa addressed the session. She introduced the University's vice presidents, who in turn spoke about how the school's deficit has been reduced to \$500,000 and asked us to help erase it. An appeal to each alumnus to donate \$100 was made, and it was pointed out that if 5000 alumni make such a contribution, the deficit would be erased.

Throughout the afternoon, the Philadelphia Chapter, in conjunction with the General Alumni Association, hosted the Hospitality Suite in the Lion's Den. Later in the afternoon, the concert choir performed in tribute to Franklin H. Williams '41. Afterwards, class pictures were taken.

On Saturday evening the Annual Alumni Banquet, which is a major highlight of Commencement Weekend, was held in the dining room. The reunion classes made very substantial contributions to our alma mater, along with many alumni who gave their annual gifts. At a time when the governor of Pennsylvania has moved to a zero increase for all of the state-aided and related colleges and universities, alumni giving has become crucial for Lincoln's financial well-being.

After the reunion classes made their presentations to Lincoln, the alumni awards were presented by Dr. Farrell. The alumni honorees this year were Donald L. Mullett '51, Robert L. Albright '66, and Jean Melvin-Martin '71.



Thelma L. Hill, '71

Even surprise presentations were made this year. Dr. Kenneth Sadler '71 and I were recognized by our classmates when we were each presented a plaque in recognition of our having attained positions on the Board of Trustees and in the Alumni Association, respectively. We were both surprised and very much appreciative of the honor which our class bestowed upon us. Our hearts were certainly warmed by the love and admiration which our class feels for us, and the feeling is certainly mutual.

After the banquet, reunion gatherings took place. At these "get-togethers" we had a chance to unwind and mingle with classmates and "rabble" for hours.

Commencement took place just a few short hours later, and this year, as last, our newest alumni were welcomed into the Association. The members of the class of 1991 affirmed their willingness to become a part of the Association by repeating the pledge of membership. It is hoped that this formal induction will make graduates feel a part of the Association so that they will affiliate with the General Alumni Association as well as with their chapters.

Commencement '92 will be here very soon. The reunion classes next year will be the 2's and 7's. It is not too early to begin planning in order to have successful reunions next May.

Dr. Theodore O. Randolph '21 (left) poses with James L. Wells ex '18, nationally known printmaker and painter whose work was exhibited at Langston Hughes Memorial Library during the month of May.



Master's Program Honors Outstanding Graduates

Master of Human Services (MHS) Program 1991 graduates Susan Gingrich of Harrisburg, PA, and Harold Carter of Norristown, PA, were honored on May 2 as the first recipients of two awards to be presented annually.

As the graduate with the highest grade point average, Ms. Gingrich received the Robert F. DeHaan Academic Achievement Award, established in honor of Dr. Robert DeHaan, who served as MHS Program Director from 1982 to 1990.

Ms. Gingrich, who graduated with a GPA of 3.976, is the director of the Outpatient Claims Processing Management Section, Office of Medical Assistant Programs, Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare.



Dr. Szabi Ishtai-Zee presents Harold Carter, MHS '91, the Ronald Mothupi Ramashala Memorial Award at Commencement '91.

In this position, she administers six statewide programs, serves as the OMAP AIDS coordinator, and supervises a staff of 20. A member of the National Association of Female Executives and past president of the Student Nurses Association, she is a licensed registered nurse with a diploma from the Polyclinic School of Nursing in Harrisburg and a certificate from Baylor University Medical Center in Dallas, TX.

Harold Carter, a group psychotherapist for the Program for Employed Persons at Eagleville Hospital (PA) who also has a private practice offering individual, family and group counseling on chemical dependency issues, was chosen by faculty vote to receive the Ronald Mothupi Ramashala Memorial Award.



Dr. Szabi Ishtai-Zee presents Susan Gingrich, MHS '91, the Robert F. DeHaan Academic Achievement Award for earning the highest grade point average in Lincoln's master's program.

Established to honor the life and work of the late Ronald Ramashala, brother of MHS Program Director Mapule Ramashala, the award is given to the student who has contributed most to the MHS Program during his or her two years of graduate study.

While at Lincoln, Mr. Carter served as president of the Student Action Committee and as graduate student representative to the University Planning Committee. He was instrumental in helping the MHS Program to achieve education certification from the Pennsylvania Addictions Counselor Certification Board, an organization for which he serves on the Board of Directors and edits a quarterly newsletter. Holder of an associate degree in applied science and human service from Montgomery County Community College, Mr. Carter is also active in numerous professional and civic associations, including the Eagleville Hospital Alumni Association (president), the Board of Directors of Opportunity Home, the School District of Philadelphia (consultant on student substance abuse programs), and Cocaine Anonymous East Coast Inter-group (chairperson).

Contributors to the Robert F. DeHaan or the Ronald Mothupi Ramashala Award funds should send a check (payable to Lincoln University) and cover letter containing name of fund to Development Office, Lincoln University, PA 19352.



Class of 1931: Dean Leroy Johnson (seated), Dr. Lucius J. May Jr. (left), Dr. Theodore Hawkins Sr. (right).

Reunion 1991



(Left to Right) Arthur Reed '34, Earl Pree '34, Quintin Primo '34, William Jordan '37, and Aspinwall Redd '34.



Joe Mahood ex '31.



John Custis '36.



James Usry '46.

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The "Ancient Rite of Ancestral Return," a grand tribute to the late **LANGSTON HUGHES**, was held on the 89th anniversary of his birth, February 1. The rites took place at midnight in Harlem at the New York Public Library's Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture.

Termed a "historic and mythic event," the celebration also included readings of Hughes' works by writers Maya Angelou and Toni Morrison. Music was by the African Rhythms Sextette, led by pianist Randy Weston, who played the music for Hughes' funeral in 1967.

Other participants included Amiri Baraka, Mari Evans, Paule Marshall, Representative Charles Rangel (D-NY), and Hughes' biographer, Arnold Rampersad.

Rev. **FRANK B. MITCHELL**, 85, retired in December 1990 as pastor of Pinn Memorial Baptist Church in Wynnefield, PA. In May, some 900 attended a five-hour retirement banquet held in his honor, for which the theme was "God's Long Distance Runner." (Rev. Mitchell, as well as completing a long pastorate, established records in mile and cross-country track when he was at Lincoln.)

Those who delivered tributes to him included Dr. Joseph H. Beatty of the Holy Cross Baptist Church; Dr. William J. Harvey III, predecessor to Dr. Mitchell; Philadelphia Mayor W. Wilson Goode, who presented a citation from the city; Dr. William J. Hand, representing Eastern Baptist Seminary. Also, Dr. M. Lorenzo Shepard Jr., chair of Baptist Foreign Mission Bureau, Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc., who presented a certificate in recognition of Rev. Mitchell's outstanding support to Foreign Missions; Dr. Albert F. Campbell, Mount Carmel Baptist Church; Rev. Dr. Reginald Van Stephens, pastor of Consolidated Baptist Church in Lexington, KY; Deacon Thomas L. Mosely; Tiffany Foster; Dwaine Hightower; Frank Devine, Trustee; Mrs. Beatrice Williams; and Deacon Leon Hinton.

Other participants included State Representative Louise Williams Bishop, 192nd District, who presented several citations; Court of Common Pleas Judge Kathryn S.

Lewis, who read citations from the state senate and the city council; Congressman William H. Gray III; Har Zion; Michael Lewis, Tiffany Johnson; and Quincy Booth.

A picturesque biographical review of her husband's life and work was presented by Dr. Mitchell's wife, Carolyn. Present were the couple's children: Mitch, John, Marshall and daughter-in-law Renee.

Pinn Memorial membership grew during Rev. Mitchell's years as its minister from fewer than 100 members in 1950 to more than 2000.

Rev. Mitchell, ordained by the Galilee Baptist Church in Roxborough where he preached for 16 years, holds an honorary doctorate from Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wynnewood. The Seminary also named an annual lecture on the history of the Black church in his honor.

Rev. Mitchell plans to devote some time to writing.

'35

FRANK "TICK" COLEMAN was guest speaker and received a commendation plaque at the National Naval Officers Association (NNOA) and Philadelphia Area Navy EEO Council (PANEC) Black History Month Dinner and Dance, held on February 22 at Penn Towers in Philadelphia, PA. The evening's theme was "Black Universities and Colleges: Strengths and Crises."

Dr. Coleman holds a master's degree from the University of Pennsylvania and an honorary doctorate from Lincoln, where he served as



Dr. Frank "Tick" Coleman, '35

Director of Alumni Relations from 1981 to 1988 and is now a special assistant to the president. From 1950 to 1981, he held various positions with the School District of Philadelphia.

He has done extensive community work, having served in leadership capacities with the Philadelphia Christian Street YMCA; Wharton Settlement (physical director and community youth worker); Wissahickon Boy's Club (physical director); Department of Public Assistance; Department of Recreation; Peace Corps in Eastern Caribbean Islands, British Honduras and Guyana; Salvation Army; Neighborhood Centre South; Wilmont Boys' Club; Curtain Community Center; Southside Camp; and the Lansdowne Board of Education.

The recipient of the Outstanding Alumnus Award, Philadelphia Community Award and numerous other honors, Dr. Coleman is a member of the Union Baptist Church, where he is an ordained deacon, assistant superintendent of Sunday School, a Sunday School teacher, and a member of the Scholarship Committee.

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WILLIAM 'POP' RANSOM was inducted into the Coatesville (PA) Area Hall of Fame at the Western Chester County Chamber of Commerce's annual banquet on April 8.

Mr. Ransom taught physical education in the Coatesville Area School District from 1942 to 1979. He now resides in Hayes, VA, with his wife.

Certified to teach by Millersville State College, Mr. Ransom did graduate work at the University of Pennsylvania and Franklin & Marshall College before receiving his master's degree in administration from Temple University in Philadelphia. He has taught Sunday School, served as a Boy Scout scoutmaster, and worked with numerous youth groups. In the Coatesville area, he organized and coached junior varsity and varsity basketball teams and a cheerleading squad, helped with after-school athletic programs, served on the YMCA membership committee, and organized the Eastern Pennsylvania

School Community Center League. He was the first director of the Coatesville Memorial Community Center, helped to organize and served as advisor of the Youth Council of Coatesville, and assisted with the area Junior Olympics for over a decade.

Mr. Ransom's memberships include the Young Married Couples Fellowship for the Tabernacle Baptist Church, Masonic Lodge of Pennsylvania, the NAACP, and the Royal Arch Order and Gordon Consistory of Scottish Rite Masonry. He was also a past master of Lily of the Valley Local Lodge No. 59; grand lodge district lecturer for the Third Masonic District of Pennsylvania; chair of the board of trustees, financial secretary and president of Tabernacle's Men's Club; and charter member and president of the Pan-Hellenic Assembly of Chester County. Since moving to Virginia, he has been ordained a parish deacon.

'42

Dr. **JAMES ALVIN "MOOSE" PARKER** was an honoree at the First Community Awards Dinner of the Westside Ministerial Alliance and Greater Red Bank Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, held on May 10 at Tinton Falls Inn in Tinton Falls, NJ.

Present were Lincoln alumni James Avery '44, Joseph Bailey '28, H. Arthur Bushane '42, Augustus T. Capers '42, Walter W. Haynes '43, John B. Kirby '44, and Harold R. Shomo '72. Also, Judge **BRUCE McM. WRIGHT**, who presented "Moose" in the following manner:

"My fellow hero worshippers, I have been given 10 minutes to assemble the kinds of adjectives that fully justify the making of an award to a man who has already earned many others.

"In ancient Greek mythology, Hera was the queen of the gods and the wife of Zeus. It was she who assigned to Hercules his 12 labors. And it is only a latter-day Hercules who could properly accomplish in 10 minutes what James Alvin Parker has done in a lifetime of ceaseless activity and perpetual motion, this man called "Moose."

"A refugee from the urban peasants of Harlem, Moose fled to

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the aristocratic suburbs of Red Bank. He could have deteriorated into the social inertia that membership in the Black Bourgeoisie demands, with homes in New York, Florida and beautiful downtown Red Bank.

"He could have done all of those things that define the do-nothing nonsense of the ultra-respectable, conservative Tories. But he did not. In order to track his brilliant career, I have consulted Nancy Reagan's astrologist, although, originally, I had sought the help of Kitty Kelley.

"Those of us who knew him at Lincoln University never suspected that he would become an expert at looking into other people's mouths. His sculptured physique, his Clark Gable moustache, his meticulous grooming, his possession of elegant clothing in the midst of the Great Depression, and his suave and sophisticated style all pointed to a career on the stage, Hollywood, or perhaps the clergy or the law, where theatrical excesses are an asset.

"But Moose defied the clichés of appearance. He engaged in the sweat of wrestling, hurling other large men to the floor, and he became a champion. At Lincoln, his athletic prowess was camouflage, for at heart, the mighty Moose was a poet. Although his studies engaged the rough reality of physics, the harsh formulae of chemistry and the internal vexations of anatomy, his thoughts probed the genteel mysteries of philosophy, the complex culture of literature.

"A singer of songs, he loaned some of his energies to music. Instead of going to the dogs, he wished to establish a foundling home for lost kittens.

"An integrationist long before civil rights became a fashionable stigmatum, he was an officer during World War II, fighting a war within a war for the sake of a humanity that saw how ridiculous it was for the United States to foster racist segregation while opposing Hitler's racism.

"He agreed with Horace Walpole that, to those of us who think, life is ridiculous, but to those of us who feel, it is tragic. And, with Omar Khayyam, he longed to grasp this sorry scheme of things entire, and shape it to our heart's desire.

"A kind of gentle giant, he defied



The "Pi's" who attended the "Pi-Phi" Dinner on May 3: (left to right) Walter Chambers '52, Lloyd Asparagus '68, Dr. Al Farrell '34, Dr. Joseph S. Darden '48, Dr. James Parker, '42, Dr. Clarence Guy '56.

tradition by even having respect and affection for his mother-in-law.

"A former alumni trustee of Lincoln University, he brooked no nonsense and curried no favor with Ph.D. presidents of the university and was frank to urge no emeritus status for anyone he regarded as an academic rascal.

"When many old Lincoln men rebelled against the idea of admitting women students, his heterosexual passion gave vent to seminal educational instruction, letting the dissenters know about the natural superiority of the female. An ERA feminist, he could never be the target of Erica Jong's definition of bigamy. She said bigamy is having one husband too many; monogamy is the same damn thing.

"One of the ultimate effects of his insight is that today, Lincoln has a woman president.

"Actually, Moose should have been a philosophy major instead of a man of science. Obviously, however, he prepared for his career as a dentist by being a wrestler and a weight-lifter.

"You know Moose as a gentleman of property and standing; you know him as a loving husband and affectionate father; I remember him as a youth of imposing stature, who made the hearts of females beat faster and who made his wrestling opponents cringe in fear and awe.

"Tonight, I know him as a man of many gifts, many careers, many successes and a citizen worthy of the great honor he is being paid. It is my honor to be here to be on hand for the award to Moose. I am delighted that he has allowed me to be

present. I salute him with you."

Dr. Parker received citations/resolutions from U.S. Senator Frank R. Lautenberg of New Jersey, Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholders, New Jersey State Senate, U. S. Congressman Frank Pallone, New Jersey Governor Jim Florio, Red Bank Mayor and Council, Lincoln University trustees and faculty, and Lincoln President Niara Sudarkasa.

A 1946 graduate of Howard University College of Dentistry, Dr. Parker served as a captain in the United States Army Dental Corps before beginning practice in Red Bank. He is or has been associated with numerous organizations.

A Lincoln trustee from 1970 to 1982, he was the first National Chairman of Alpha Phi Alpha's Paul Robeson Commission. His many honors and awards include a presidential citation from the National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education and a New Jersey Senatorial Citation in conjunction with an award from the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

Dr. Parker is married to Dr. Margaret Bowles Parker, a retired college professor; the couple has six children.

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The Reverend **PAUL M. WASHINGTON**, Rector Emeritus of the Episcopal Church of the Advocate in Philadelphia, was the key speaker in a January 1991 week-long program at Penn State University's Delaware County campus in commemoration of Dr.

Martin Luther King Jr. The program also included the acclaimed Morgan State Gospel Choir and a film highlighting Dr. King's career.

Rev. Washington also received a Doctor of Divinity degree and delivered the baccalaureate sermon at the Ursinus College (PA) Commencement Convocation on May 12.

Internationally recognized as an activist on issues of human justice and peace, Rev. Washington has championed the causes of those on welfare, exploited laborers, the homeless, people with AIDS, and victims of discrimination based on race, religion, sex or sexual orientation. He served as a missionary to Liberia, West Africa; a prison chaplain; Curate at the Church of the Crucifixion and Vicar of St. Cyprian's Church, both in Philadelphia; Consultant to the Church in the Province of Uganda; Bishop Co-Adjutor; and as a member of the National Episcopal Executive Council of Churches and an elected member of the Diocesan Council.

Among the numerous boards and commissions on which Rev. Washington has served are the Community College of Philadelphia, the Philadelphia Commission on Human Relations, the Juvenile Law Center, the MOVE Commission, the William Penn Foundation, and the Thomas Skelton Harrison Foundation. He is the recipient of more than 40 prestigious awards, including honorary degrees from Berkeley Divinity School at Yale, the General Theological Seminary in New York, and Temple University in Philadelphia. The 1986 recipient of the Philadelphia Award, he is a graduate of the former Philadelphia Divinity School.

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J. ARCHIBALD HOLLAND presented a lecture-recital entitled "The Legacy of Langston Hughes" on February 6 in Mary Dod Brown Memorial Chapel. The program was a Black History Month observance sponsored by the Lectures and Recitals Committee.

A novelist and freelance writer, Mr. Holland is a consulting editor to the Harlem Quarterly in New York City. He recently completed his second successful tour of mid-

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western colleges, performing readings and leading discussions on the works of the late poet, short story writer, dramatist, essayist and editor Langston Hughes, who graduated from Lincoln in 1929 and is today acknowledged as America's most significant Black poet and one of the most original and prolific writers of the 20th century.



J. Archibald Holland '47.

A once close associate of "the Black Bard of Harlem and Poet Laureate of his people," Mr. Holland gave a personal human view of the legendary Hughes, historical information and commentary on the Harlem Renaissance, and superb interpretations of many of Hughes' important poems.

Mr. Holland, who attended Columbia University graduate schools of Journalism and Social Science as well as Brooklyn Law School, was a performer with the Kurt Cert Theatre Workshop. He has served as a staff member of the American Management Association, senior social studies writer for the textbook division of Holt, Rinehart & Winston, assistant advertising manager for Grolier Corporation's encyclopedias and teaching materials, writer in residence at Grey Advertising Agency, and senior editor of *Encore* magazine. His writings have been read or quoted from in the U. S. Senate and Congress by Senator Edward Kennedy and others, and he has been interviewed on NBC-TV's talk show, "Positively Black."

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The Reverend **MAURICE MOYER**, pastor of Community Presbyterian Church in Wilmington, DE, which he started 35 years ago, has been active at the Wilmington branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) for many years. In a recent newspaper interview, he told of various tactics used to end discrimination and suggested that it may be necessary to revive them. "We need to regain rallying, overcome complacency, regain the days when we could draw hundreds for our cause," he said. "We have lost the spirit of oneness, the sense that we all spoke with one voice...I have a saying: Freedom isn't free. If you love the life, you have to pay the price. And we're not paying the price now."

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Dr. **WILLIAM E. BENNETT**, senior science adviser to the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services, was among the 100 or more outstanding graduates of historically black colleges and universities honored as distinguished alumni at the 16th national conference of the National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education, held recently in Washington, DC.

Dr. Bennett received his Ph.D. degree from the University of Pennsylvania and did post-doctoral study at Rockefeller University. He previously served as chief of manpower research for the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, MD. He has published numerous scientific articles and received many honors, including two honorary doctorates.

'51

Dr. **CARL M. MANSFIELD**, chair of Thomas Jefferson University Hospital's Department of Radiation Therapy, was recently awarded the National Bronze Medal by the American Cancer Society.

Recipient of a 1991 Lincoln University honorary doctorate, he is immediate past president of the Society's Philadelphia division and has chaired its Cancer and the Poor Committee since its inception in

1986.

A main interest of Dr. Mansfield is the encouragement of minority youths to enter the allied health professions and keeping them informed of the career possibilities. He earned his M.D. degree at Howard University; among his many honors is the Outstanding Achievement Award from the Radiology Section of the National Medical Association.

'53

BASIL P. GORDON, Director of Operations at Elkins-Sinn Pharmaceuticals, a subsidiary of A.H. Robins Company, was the keynote speaker at the first Penn State Altoona Campus Scholars Seminar for 1990-91, "The Future of Manufacturing in the United States: What Caused it to Fail and What Will Make it Come Back?"

In his lecture, he discussed past manufacturing capabilities in the United States and "how we lost the edge," manufacturing survival in the 1990s, and what businesses must do to overcome past mistakes.

Mr. Gordon, who has over 35 years experience in the management of pharmaceutical manufacturing (including 18 at Smith Kline & French Labs in Philadelphia), is currently responsible at Elkins-Sinn for the manufacturing and packaging of all sterile products. His administrative responsibilities include operations and personnel budgets, capital planning and spending, strategic planning and cost control.

He has done graduate work in organic chemistry at Widener University and in immunology, biochemistry and molecular biology at the University of Pennsylvania.

'54

Temple University in Philadelphia has established a police scholarship fund in memory of **DONALD M. GRAVATT**, a former deputy Philadelphia police commissioner and the University's assistant vice president for security and protection until his death in 1989.

It is hoped that the fund will award two scholarships of \$1000 a year — one for undergraduate education in criminal justice and related fields, the other for Temple's School of Law. Mr. Gravatt's widow, Careve, will serve on

the selection committee.

Mr. Gravatt, a graduate of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's National Academy, began his 31-year law enforcement career with a plainclothes assignment as a rookie cop in 1953. He moved on to become a uniformed officer in the 16th District, a Juvenile Aid Division officer, a detective, sergeant in juvenile aid, and a lieutenant in the 16th District. In 1968, he was named captain of the 22nd Police District and served as commanding officer of the 18th and 23rd Police Districts until his appointment in July 1976 as inspector. He was appointed deputy commissioner in 1980 and Temple's chief law enforcement officer in 1984.

Tax-deductible contributions to the Donald M. Gravatt Scholarship Fund-Temple University may be sent to the Temple University Development Office, University Services Building, Broad and Oxford Streets, Philadelphia, PA 19122.

'56

ALFRED SHROPSHIRE, a Wyeth-Ayerst senior scientist, CNS Pharmacology, at Princeton, is a recipient of the Wyeth-Ayerst Discovery Development Award, given "for outstanding contributions during 1990 to the identification of new drug leads and/or to the development of such leads, reflecting dedication and excellence of the entire Wyeth-Ayerst R&D staff and the resulting high quality science."

According to Dr. Gary L. Neil of Wyeth-Ayerst, Mr. Shropshire "has applied his pioneering experience with the conditioned avoidance paradigm to the detection of anxiolytic/antidepressant activity. This has led, further, to the identification of several potential antipsychotic agents and to new insights in the dopamine auto-receptor and alpha receptor fields."

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JOHN RICHARD YOUNG was recently honored at a celebration held at Hyatt Pittsburgh at Chatham Center Regency Ballroom on the occasion of his retirement as principal of Schenley High School, a position he held since 1978. Mr. Young is currently an instructor at California State University.

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'59

ORVILLE EDWARD KEAN was inaugurated as the third president of the University of the Virgin Islands on March 16. The weekend inaugural celebration included a symposium, concert, student dinner, and two inaugural banquet/balls.



Orville Kean, '59, president of Virgin Islands University, and Lincoln President Niara Sudarkasa.

'60

CHARLES COLLINS Jr., funeral director and CEO of Collins Funeral Directors Ltd., has been appointed to serve on the Funeral Directors and Embalmers Licensing and Disciplinary Board by the Illinois Department of Professional Regulations. A licensed embalmer and funeral director for 25 years, Mr. Collins is a graduate of Worsham College of Mortuary Science and holds a master's degree from Chicago State University.

Mr. Collins is a member of the Illinois Selected Morticians Association, board member of the South Side YMCA, second vice president of the Original Forty Club of Chicago, secretary of the Saints Social Club, and a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity. He also serves on the Instructional Leadership Team as the math, science and social studies resource person at Carver Elementary School in Chicago.

'64

A recently released novel, *Servants of Power*, is the first published work of **CHARLES "CHUCK" POWELL** and the first published work of his recently formed company, Quantum Leap Publisher, Inc. It is available at many book outlets.

Quantum Leap Publisher, Inc.,

was founded through Temple University's Business Incubator in North Philadelphia.

A native of Atlantic City, NJ, Mr. Powell is a social activist and a community, business and corporate leader. He has served in the U.S. Marine Corps and holds a MSW degree from the University of Pennsylvania. A former Philadelphia area teacher and 20-year Bell of Pennsylvania employee, he was involved in the administration of several area anti-poverty programs in the late 1960s.

Mr. Powell is an avid marathon runner and painter. He sits on several boards, including the Drexel University International Force, Freedom Theater, and the *Philadelphia Tribune*.

Mr. Powell describes his writing style as visual and his work as "a purely fictional urban multi-cultured novel" about Jonathan Edwards, an angry young man whose mother dies in childbirth after being raped in the South by a Chinese man. The protagonist, raised by his grandmother in Atlantic City, gets involved in a robbery, fights as a Marine in the Korean War, and ends up in New York City in the corporate world. According to Powell, the book ends on a positive note and addresses three themes: accepting differences among people, the reality of individual as well as group goals, and the "glass ceiling" (the contention that African Americans and women can only go so far in the corporate world).

LEROY H. CARTER has been appointed community affairs coordinator for Waste Resource Energy, Inc., the Westinghouse Electric Corporation subsidiary that operates the Delaware County Resource Recovery Facility in Pennsylvania. He is responsible for all community public and media relations activities for the plant.

Rev. Carter, who is also pastor of the Deliverance Tabernacle Church, lives in Chester Township with his wife Rachel and children, Wes and Stacey. A third child, LeRai, lives in Washington, DC. Rev. Carter holds a master of arts equivalency degree from West Chester University and a master of divinity from Eastern Theological Seminary.

'67

CAROL A. BLACK, Esq., was one of the 100 or more outstanding graduates of historically black colleges and universities who were honored as distinguished alumni at the 16th National Conference on Blacks in Higher Education, sponsored by NAFEO. A managing attorney and partner with Black & Adams, a Philadelphia law firm, she has also received the Outstanding Young Woman of America Award and the Pilot of Change Award from the National Association of University Women.

'68

"Council Decisions," a collection of poems by **RON WELBURN**, a professor of English at Western Connecticut State University in Danbury, was published in February. In this, his fifth book of poems, Dr. Welburn, a Native American and Black, concentrates on his Native American heritage.

"Council Decisions" is the third chapbook in a series published by American Native Press Archives, University of Arkansas at Little Rock.

According to Dr. Welburn, whose ancestry is Cherokee, the East Coast Native American experience historically has produced in its people a cultural diversity and for many a loss of identity. In his poems, he looks at the heritage he shares with off-reservation Native people, including a deep concern about their forebears who felt compelled to hide their racial and cultural identities from their own children.

Dr. Welburn's writings on jazz, poems and short stories have appeared in more than 75 literary magazines and anthologies. Holder of a master's degree from the University of Arizona and a Ph.D. from New York University, he formerly taught at Syracuse University and SUNY-Albany. He also taught the first grant-funded writing workshop in a New York maximum security prison at Auburn in 1972; coordinated the Jazz Oral History Project at Rutgers University-Newark Institute of Jazz Studies in New Jersey in the 80's; and, also in the 80's, produced a radio program on the numerous Native Americans in jazz and the blues.

Dr. Welburn and his wife, Cheryl, live in New Milford, CN. They have three children.

'69

MITCH CRANE, a lawyer and West Chester (PA) council member, travels the country giving seminars and speeches on risk management. Crane, who founded the Student Equality Union in 1963, teaches members of his adopted fraternity, Sigma Phi Epsilon, about safe partying. His presentation is described as "a crash course in How to Stop Hazing, Date Rape and Dangerous Parties 101."

'70

Emerge, a magazine founded and published by **WILMER AMES JR.**, marked its first anniversary in October 1990. Published ten times a year, the magazine is an issue-oriented, general-interest publication aimed at an upscale Black readership. Its circulation is 155,000.

Contributing writers have been some of the nation's most distinguished black journalists, including Jacqueline Trescott of the *Washington Post*, George Curry of the *Chicago Tribune*, and Sam Fulwood III of the *Los Angeles Times*. Hard-hitting stories have covered Philadelphia's financial problems under the Goode administration, racism in Cuba, the resurgence of boycotts by Blacks, the problems of the Black Bourgeoisie, and the AIDS threat to the Black community. Top newsmakers in *Emerge* have been Virginia Governor Douglas Wilder, Washington Mayor Sharon Pratt Dixon, Quincy Jones, Nelson Mandela, Louis Farrakhan, and General Colin Powell.

The magazine is 80 percent minority-owned and averages about 19 pages of advertising an issue, from such companies as American Telephone & Telegraph, General Motors, International Business Machines and Reebok.

A former reporter for *Time* and *Sports Illustrated*, Ames earned a master's degree from the Columbia School of Journalism while on a Time-Life Scholarship.

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Pennsylvania State Representative **GORDON J. LINTON**, who is in his fourth term in the 200th Legislative District, is the recent recipient of the National Achievement Award for Public Service from the Salem Baptist Church in Jenkintown. He served as guest speaker on the church's Government Action Day.

First elected to office in 1982, Rep. Linton has been involved with legislation on such issues as mass transit, seatbelt laws, minority and women in business, and programs in higher education. Holder of a master's degree in education from Antioch University, Rep. Linton was formerly eastern regional administrator for the State Auditor General's Office, community consultant to the School District of Philadelphia, education director for Baptist Children's House, and psycho-educational specialist for the Philadelphia Child Guidance Clinic. He currently serves on several boards, including those of Lincoln and the Northwest Victim Services.

DE WAYNE KETCHUM has been employed by Sun Oil Company since graduating from the University of Pittsburgh with a master's degree in business administration in 1971. He has filled a number of diverse posts, including distribution analyst, regional distribution manager, wholesale marketing pricing manager, distribution operations manager, and logistics planning and economics manager.

President of the Wilmington, DE, chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, he is chair of the Board of Directors of the Layton Nursing Home, basketball coach for the Paoli Wildcats Boys' League, and a member of the NAACP and Urban League.

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M. PATRICIA MCKINLEY has been appointed executive director of the Powelton-Mantua Educational Fund (PMEF) in Philadelphia. PMEF is an advocacy organization founded in 1970 and supported by parent fees and private donations to promote the best in alternative education for community residents and students.

Ms. McKinley is currently completing her M.B.A. in finance and

management from LaSalle University. She was born in Brooklyn, NY, but has lived in Philadelphia since 1970 and currently resides in Germantown. She was formerly a social worker/employment and health education specialist working with abused children for the Philadelphia Department of Human Services; manager of administrative services at Temple University's Center for Research and Human Development in Education; and a teacher of adult basic education at the Germantown Women's Education Project.

As PMEF director, Ms. McKinley is responsible for managing programs, handling finances, developing funds, and overseeing staff and staff development.

'71

DELAIN ALLEN, of Coatesville, PA, has been field director for the Freedom Valley Girl Scout Council since 1976. Since 1987, she has also filled the post of program specialist, working out of Valley Forge offices. Her responsibilities include providing program support, (booklets, materials, event planning, program development, etc.) for Girl Scout troops and serving as staff liaison for the Opportunity Fund volunteer committee, which offers financial assistance for girls and adults (60% of the fund is used for summer programs such as camps).

In celebration of Black History Month 1991, Delilah's at the Terminal in Philadelphia presented "In the Shadows," an exhibition of the work of fine art photographer **RAYMOND HOLMAN**. A self-taught photographer



Raymond Holman, '71

whose career began as a hobby 15 years ago, Mr. Holman initially trained his lenses on the social landscape, documenting the people and places around him. Later, he turned his attention to portraiture, consciously exploring dark tonal ranges and the subtle nuances of light.

USA Consul to Geneva **JEAN MELVIN-MARTIN**, Esq., has established, in honor of her mother, the Mary Frances Melvin Memorial Scholarship Fund under the auspices of the Philadelphia Holy Temple Church of God in Christ's Total Christian Young Ladies Workshop. The Fund disperses scholarships to inner city girls interested in pursuing careers in law, international diplomacy or the ministry. To date, Ms. Melvin-Martin has donated funds for two scholarship awards.

The first Black female LU graduate to become a member of the United States Diplomatic Corps, Ms. Melvin-Martin entered the Foreign Service in 1977 and received her officer's commission in 1978. She holds a J.D. degree (international law concentration) from George Washington National Law Center, and an M.Ed. in personnel administration from the Pennsylvania State University. Co-author and publisher of a book on environmental law, she is proficient in French, Spanish, Italian and German. She has filled several posts in embassies in South America and done tours of duty in Washington, DC.

Ms. Melvin-Martin, an active member of Holy Temple, Inter-Denominational Church of International Christian Fellowship, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, and Zeta Chi Omega Graduate Chapter in Alexandria/Arlington, VA., is a former member of the Philadelphia Barrister's Association and is listed in the 1982 *Outstanding Young Women of America* and 1980 *Who's Who of American Women*. She is the recipient of the Housing and Urban Development's first "Pot of Gold Award" for raising over \$500,000 on behalf of HUD's Combined Federal Campaign to benefit the needy and handicapped, and of a Meritorious Honor Award from the U.S. Department of State for her efforts in San Salvador, El Salvador. In 1990,

she appeared on CNN-TV Geneva to promote voter registration of U.S. citizens residing in Switzerland.

'72

THEODORE L. GANGES IV, a distinguished award-winning poet and teacher, celebrated the eleventh anniversary of his 'inspirational oneman poemshow' entitled "A Nickel Bag of Hope" at St. Michael's Episcopal Church in Trenton, NJ.

Mr. Ganges premiered "A Nickel Bag of Hope" on April 27, 1980, in Trenton, NJ, before an audience of 50. Since then, he has had more than 250 speaking engagements, been the subject of numerous newspaper and magazine articles, and appeared on several television and radio talk shows. Listed in the 1981 edition of *Outstanding Young Men in America*, he is the recipient of the Ewing (Mercer County, N.J.) Volunteer Post's Community Achievement Award, a New Jersey State Senate Resolution, and letters from former First Lady Nancy Reagan and former Governor Thomas Keane.



Theodore L. Ganges IV '72

A graduate of The University of Cincinnati in Ohio, Mr. Ganges is a high school English teacher. His poems, which are "cultural weapons against societal ills," are accompanied by the distribution of mustard seeds; to date, he has given away more than 10,000 "bags of hope" as a community service.

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FRANK GIHAN was presented with the 1991 McDonald's Corporation President's Award for outstanding service to the company and its customers. Only the top one percent of McDonald's employees worldwide are recognized with this honor.

Senior marketing manager/community development for the Philadelphia, PA, region, he previously served as McDonald's regional marketing manager, responsible for advertising, promotions, public relations and marketing. In his current position, he manages special projects pertaining to the environment, employment, economic development, labor and nutrition — serving as McDonald's key liaison for media, government, consumer, civic and business groups.

Chair of the 1990-91 United Negro College Fund telethon, Gihan is a board member of the Philadelphia chapter of Ronald McDonald Children's Charities, the Poor Richard's Club, and the Philadelphia Convention and Visitors Bureau. He is also a member of the Philadelphia Urban League and a graduate of its Leadership Institute, as well as a lecturer for the National Urban League's Black Executive Exchange program.

Mr. Gihan holds a master's degree in communications and technical writing from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, NY. Prior to joining McDonald's in 1978, he co-hosted a Troy local television talk show and managed national public relations accounts at Burson-Marsteller in New York.

'74

WILLIAM C. MATTHEWS has been appointed corporate counsel and secretary of Pennsylvania Electric Company (Penelec). He previously served as chief counsel of the Pennsylvania Independent Regulatory Review Commission, which oversees regulations associated with a wide range of Pennsylvania governmental agencies including the Public Utility Commission (PUC).

A member of the Pennsylvania Bar, Mr. Matthews has served on the personal staffs of two former PUC commissioners: Mayor Wilson Goode of Philadelphia and former PUC chair Linda Taliaferro. He was also

an associate of the Kent and Thomas law firm in West Chester (PA) and served the PUC as deputy chief counsel of the Fixed Utility Services Division of the Law Bureau. In his new position, he will direct and manage the legal activities of Penelec to assure compliance with laws and regulations; and oversee all corporate secretary duties, including the preservation of Penelec's corporate identity through legal and financial filings, coordination of the directors' and stockholders' meeting agendas and minutes, and the direction of activities relating to insurance and claims.

Mr. Matthews holds a master's degree in tax law from Georgetown University and a juris doctor degree from Howard University. He and his wife Linda are the parents of a daughter.

'75

Dr. **PAULA QUEENAN**, a Woodrow Wilson fellow and special assistant to the University of Maryland Eastern Shore President William P. Hytche, was recently appointed director of alumni affairs as well. Previously a research associate at Florida A&M University and head resident at Mount Holyoke College, Dr. Queenan holds a master's degree from Iowa State University and a doctorate from the University of Massachusetts in Amherst.

'76

Dr. **CATHERINE GAYLE** has had a general medical practice in New Egypt, NJ, for six years. Born in Kingston on the island of Jamaica, she graduated from the medical program at the University of Pennsylvania. She is an advocate of preventative medicine, recommending routine medical examinations for everyone. Dr. Gayle is also an avid poet.

JAMES W. MALLOY has been selected for promotion to the rank of Major in the United States Air Force. He currently serves as Chief, Production Management Division at the Defense Industrial Supply Center in Philadelphia, a key field activity which supplies vital industrial hardware parts to all Armed Forces throughout the world.

Commissioned in 1979, Major Malloy has served in a variety of assignments, including Contracts Manager for the B-1B and Reconnaissance and Electronic Warfare System Program Office at Wright-Patterson AFB in Ohio, and Space Systems Production Officer at Lockheed Missiles and Space Company in Sunnyvale, CA.

Holder of a Master of Science degree in administration from Central Michigan University, Major Malloy has received the Air Force Commendation Medal and the Air Force Meritorious Service Medal. He is married to the former Valerie Martin of Covington, VA; the couple and their three children reside in Philadelphia.

'78

MAURICE BREWSTER, a national accounts manager for U.S. Sprint Communications in Gardena, CA, has been selected by Sprint to appear as a "Rising Star" executive in *Ebony/Jet* Magazine's current Guide to Black Excellence videotape and guidebook educational series.

'80

Dr. **SIBUSISO NKOMO**, chair of Lincoln's Department of Political Science, has been chosen to receive the 1990-91 Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching.

The cash award has been given annually since 1976 to a faculty member, selected by Lincoln's president, for excellence in the classroom. Funds are provided by the Christian R. and Mary F. Lindback Foundation, which was established in 1956 under the will of Christian R. Lindback to help young students through scholarships and the teaching profession through monetary rewards. During his lifetime, Lindback was the president of Abbotts Dairies, Inc.

Born in Johannesburg, South Africa, Dr. Nkomo received his early education in South African schools before being forced to flee the country as a result of his participation in student protests against apartheid. He holds master's and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Delaware, where his major fields of study were public

policy, labor economics, urban economic policy, and the political economy of the third world. An outspoken and staunch supporter of the anti-apartheid movement, he has done extensive research on the migrant labor system of South Africa and its impact on the development of African nations.

Dr. Nkomo's activities have included the organization of several educational conferences at Lincoln, and he is credited with establishing cooperative academic relationships between Lincoln and Carnegie-Mellon University, the University of Pittsburgh, and the University of Delaware. As associate director of Lincoln's Center for Public Policy and Diplomacy, he has also developed working relationships between Lincoln and The School for Advance International Studies, Johns Hopkins University; The Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs, Princeton University; The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University; and The School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University.

Dr. Nkomo is a frequent lecturer



Dr. Sibusiso Nkomo '80

both on and off campus. His publications include the book, *Labor Migration in Southern Africa's Development Crisis* (with Robert Mazur, 1990); "Confrontation and the Challenge for Independent Development: The Case of Lesotho" in an edited book, *Essays in Honor of Ann Seidman* (1989); and "Education, Labor Power and Socio-Economic Development" (with Dr.

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Renosi Mokate) in an edited book, *Education Past, Present and Future in South Africa* (1989). He is a reviewer for *International Migration Review Journal* and has had many papers presented at professional meetings and conferences.

Most recently, Dr. Nkomo's article, "The End of the Cold War: A New Paradigm for United States Foreign Policy Toward South and Southern Africa," appears in the March issue of *Trans-Africa Forum: A Journal on Africa and the Caribbean*.

The recipient of a number of academic awards and honors, Dr. Nkomo is a member of the Board of Directors of the "Mandela Freedom Fund and Democracy for South Africa," which was established during Nelson Mandela's visit to the United States.

'81

Master of Human Services Program graduate **HERBERT H. DEBEARY** is challenging incumbent Joseph E. Coleman for the seat of City Council President of the Eighth District of Philadelphia. The district includes parts of North Philadelphia, Germantown, Mount Airy and Chestnut Hill.

A former Internal Revenue Service officer who has been active in city politics for many years, DeBeary is a Pennsylvania certified addictions counselor at the Valley Forge Medical Center, president of the Awbrey Arboretum Neighbors Association, former executive director of the "Street People Project," a combat veteran, and former deputy director of community services for the Philadelphia Housing Authority.

Mr. DeBeary's campaign platform includes attention to the neighborhood crime and drug problem, affordable housing, and education.

'82

RENE WINFIELD ANDERSON, who is also a 1985 graduate of Lincoln's Master of Human Services Program, recently graduated from the Lincoln University Minority Gerontology Management Traineeship Program, held at the Urban Center in Philadelphia. With six years of experience as a care manager for the Office of Aging in Chester County (PA), she is pursuing

a career in adult day care management with emphasis in developing an intergenerational program; she would also like to assist individuals with Alzheimers Disease.

In the Minority Gerontology Program, Ms. Anderson was placed with the Pennsylvania Council on Aging, where her duties included "Special Friends Project," an intergenerational program to recruit senior citizen volunteers to work in child care centers; "Alzheimers Initiative," which included the development of a clearinghouse of information regarding the disease; and coordinating requests for services to appropriate resources. She also assisted with coordination of a Seniors' Arts Festival.

'84

Master of Human Services Program graduate **JUANITA NORWOOD** is a 54-year-old self-proclaimed feminist who is noted in the North Philadelphia community as a leader, activist, and entrepreneur devoted to world improvement.

A widowed mother of two sons, Ms. Norwood is a graduate of Morgan State University in Baltimore. She worked at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Southwest Philadelphia as a personnel management specialist before opening Norwood's Sporting Goods and Leisure Wear, Inc., in 1984, at 2301 North 29th Street. In 1987, she opened another sporting goods store at 2827 North 22nd Street; and in 1990, she opened her third store in Camden, NJ.

Affiliated with numerous organizations, she is on the boards of the following: The United Black Business Association, a conglomerate of some 400 Black businesses; the Utilities Emergency Services Fund, which provides emergency funds for fuel and energy for poor families; and Lincoln's Capital Campaign. In October 1990, Ms. Norwood was feted a special tribute at the First District Plaza in West Philadelphia on the occasion of her retirement from the V.A. Medical Center after 34 years of service.

'85

DONALD E. PALM III, was married to Pamela Rosella Taylor on

the greens of the Cherrington Golf Club in Moon Township, Pittsburgh, on September 2, 1990.

The bride is a graduate of Adelphia University in New York and is employed by All-State Insurance in Rhode Island. A former professional dancer in New York, she now teaches dance. The groom received a Ph.D. in December 1990 from Penn State University Medical Hospital and is doing his residency at Brown University Hospital in Rhode Island.

'86

TIMOTHY OWENS MOORE and **TERESA LYNETTE BONDS** were married on February 16 at Union Theological Seminary in New York, NY. The bride is a branch manager for Dauphin Deposit Bank and Trust Company in York, PA. The groom, who received a master's degree in psychology from Howard University in 1989 and is currently pursuing a Ph.D. in biological psychology, is employed as a research scientist at Walter Reed Army Institute for Research in Washington, D.C.

The couple resides in Baltimore, Maryland.

'87

JANICE PARKER, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Jeff Parker of Northwood, MD, is engaged to Charles C. Duncan Jr., son of Mrs. Jonathan C. Glen of Savannah, GA, and Dr. Charles Duncan of Lincoln University, PA. Mr. Duncan, who holds a degree from Western Carolina University, resides in McLean, VA, while Ms. Parker is a resident of Reston, VA. A winter wedding is planned.

'88

WILBERT LAVEIST is a third semester University of Arizona graduate journalism student.

'89

Master of Human Services Program graduate **LINDA CURTISS** has been the proprietor of Professional Astrological Consulting Services, 1015 Woods Avenue, Lancaster, PA, since 1976. The service uses astrology to uncover useful information for a broad range of people. In the early 80s, Ms. Curtiss worked as an intern counseling inmates and teaching them

psychology, meditation and astrology at the Lancaster County Prison.

Master of Human Services Program graduate **CHARLES A. AYERS**, a psychological therapist, has opened a private practice, Inner Vision Professional Services, at 321 Pine Street in Williamsport, PA. He will specialize in the treatment of addictive disorders and adult children of addictive and dysfunctional families — offering consultation, training and personal growth.

Mr. Ayers is certified to treat addictive disorders by the American Academy of Health Care Providers in the Addictive Disorders of Somerville, MA, and is a certified hypnotherapist of the Hypnodyne Foundation of Clearwater, FL. He has been involved in the addiction treatment field for 14 years. A speaker and educator, he uses his talents as a singer, songwriter, poet, and author to illustrate and enhance his presentations.

'90

Master of Human Services Program graduate **HOWARD JACKSON**, also known as "OWA," is a playwright, counselor and, according to some, miracle worker who in December opened the Center for Strategic Living in Lewisburg, PA. Here, in a peaceful environment away from the inner city, he teaches recovering drug addicts how to manage their lives.

A former user, alcoholic and criminal, Owa spent many years in prison, where he discovered theater and Eastern philosophy and started a stage writing and acting career by joining the inmate theater group, The Theater for the Forgotten. Released in 1973, he travelled to Eastern Africa and Europe, working as a freelance photographer. Upon his return, he wrote his most representative of plays, "Transitions for a Mime," the second part of a four-part collection called "The Soledad Tetrad," which portrays the struggle to find and make peace with the self.

After entering a number of rehabilitation centers, he was taken in by a friend who helped him to lick his addiction problems.

Owa is now struggling to make a success of his Center.

Reunion 1991



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Class of 1986



Class of 1971



Class of 1976



Class of 1981



Lincoln President Niara Sudarkasa (center front) with members of Lincoln University Ladies Auxiliary, following their meeting on May 4.

On A Silver, Satin Road

by Susan Crowley

(Editor's Note: The following article about Louis Purnell '47, appeared in the March 1991 issue of the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Bulletin.)

"When I was a child, I had a recurring dream about running around a baseball field and finally going into the air and soaring after left third base," muses former U.S. fighter pilot Louis Purnell, now 70.

Not an unusual dream for a small boy, perhaps. So when Purnell's urge to reach skyward turned into a desire to be a pilot, no one was surprised.

While studying psychology at Pennsylvania's Lincoln University, Purnell trained as a civilian pilot, then graduated from advanced flight training school in 1941. When he was drafted later that year, Purnell wanted to serve his country in the air. "I just wanted to fly," he remembers.

But that wasn't possible: The U.S. Army Air Corps barred blacks from becoming pilots.

Today, Purnell, a pioneer whose efforts broke barriers for blacks in the military, is frequently asked about his exploits as one of the Tuskegee Airmen, the 450-man, all-black unit that included the first blacks allowed to serve as pilots in the Air Corps.

A retired curator for the Smithsonian Institution's National Air and Space Museum, Purnell lectures to business and school groups about aviation and space exploration. But with a war in the Persian Gulf—and with black Americans making up nearly 25 percent of those deployed—increasingly Purnell's audiences want to hear his first-hand account of the struggle to integrate the services.

Being barred from the skies during wartime was devastating, he remembers. "We were aching to fly," he says of himself and other aspiring black pilots. "There wasn't that feeling of 'let me at them,' and that patriotic stuff," he maintains. "We were all there because, regardless of what we had to do and what it led to, we were flying."

In 1942, under pressure from the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the threat of a lawsuit, the Army finally rescinded its policy and accepted black American pilots. Purnell jumped at the chance to fly, joining the 99th Fighter Squadron.

Even after the Army accepted and trained the small band of black pilots, deployment came slowly. Despite his unit's excellent training—"We always had to be twice as good," says Purnell—almost a year passed before it was assigned overseas, to North Africa. In early 1944 he shipped out again, this time for Italy, where the 99th had joined the all-black 332nd Fighter Group.

The group piled up victory after victory as it escorted planes on bombing missions over enemy territory in Europe.

"We provided top cover for the bombers," Purnell says of his war duties. "We went right through the flack, staying with the (bombers we escorted) through the whole course. We also did reconnaissance and dive bombing."

He explains that fighter pilots engaged in the Iraq war have the same jobs as he did. "Except they don't dive bombs anymore, because the missiles do that."

Purnell wasn't looking to be a hero during his military stint. But he

certainly became one, earning the Distinguished Flying Cross and Air Medal with six Oak Leaf Clusters.

He flew 87 combat missions in North Africa and southern Italy; his unit, which flew a total of 1,578 missions was the only escort group not to lose one bomber to enemy fire. His wings, scarf and other wartime memorabilia are on permanent display at the National Air and Space Museum in Washington.

Purnell discovered friends and bigots among the white pilots who flew the bombers the 99th escorted. "I learned to take people as they come," he says. Most of the time he ignored the racial slights, although he did confront one sergeant who made scathing remarks about the black airmen.

"We actually flew cover for this guy," Purnell says in disbelief. "I just told him we'd see him up there."

Purnell applauds the opportunities available to black pilots in the military today. But too often, he says, they "find equal opportunity in the military but a hard time finding jobs when they come home."

Purnell's desire to fly may have been spurred by a straight arrow childhood in Wilmington, Del., and Cape May, N.J. "My mother was a teacher, my father a school principal. We had a very strict household," he says. "Maybe my dreams about flying were escapism."

Indeed, after the war Purnell chose not to rest on his laurels. Having broken the barriers for other blacks who wanted to fly, he decided to move beyond aviation. "I'd done it. It was time to move on to something else," he explains on a snowy afternoon in Washington, where he lives now with his wife JoAnn.

Purnell's post-war life was a crazy quilt of career switches. He went from a stint as a speech therapist to work with the Quartermaster General and on to the U.S. Book Exchange. In 1961 he joined the Smithsonian's Museum of Natural History, in the division of paleobiology.

Purnell took graduate courses in oceanography and went off to do ocean surveys. "It was a special area of paleontology. We surveyed the mid-Atlantic ridge, we went to the Pacific, we went all over the world. Even to Monaco, where we met Princess Grace."

In 1967, unable to ignore his passion for any machine that hurtles through space, Purnell made "a quantum leap from the study of fossils" to the acquisition and care of spacecraft at the Air and Space Museum. "I wanted to be around flying again."

"We had spacecraft from every mission," he says with pride. "I became a specialist in spacesuits, too, and food—all the things that went on a mission," he adds.

Since retiring, Purnell, when he's not giving speeches, makes picture frames ("it takes a lot of precision," he says, pointing to flawlessly mitred corners) for his wife's paintings. And he indulges his interest in locksmithing; a museum has approached him about acquiring his lock collection.

But he still likes to fly. Each time he goes up, Purnell says, he relives the thrill of his early days in the sky. "I loved to go up on hazy days," he remembers. "I'd come up through the clouds, and I was on a silver, satin road. There were no stop signs. Nobody was up there but me."



LU Track Team, winner of six first-place 1991 NCAA medals, at Commencement '91.



Langston Hughes Memorial Library guest author Charles A. Powell '62 (seated), writer of *Servants of Power*, poses with Friends of the Library (left to right) Sophie Cornwell, Ella M. Forbes, Professor Emery Wimbish, James McCoy '52 (president), Ruth Schachter, and Dr. J. Paul Stephens.

In Memoriam

WILLIAM ASHBY DIES AT 101

William Ashby '11, heretofore Lincoln's oldest living graduate, died on May 17, at the Brookhaven Nursing Home in East Orange, NJ. He was 101 years old.

William Ashby was the first African American to have a state building named in his honor (the William M. Ashby Department of Community Affairs Building in Trenton); New Jersey's first African American social worker; a founder and first director of the Newark Negro Welfare League (now the Urban League); a founding member of the Newark Club of Frontiers International; and the author of three books, including *Tales Without Hate*, which was written in his later years.

Mr. Ashby, who was also the oldest living graduate of the Yale School of Divinity, was the honoree at the United Way of Essex and West Hudson (NJ) annual fund-raising campaign kickoff luncheon in September 1990. He was presented with a plaque, and announcement was made of the annual William M. Ashby Community Service Award, to be initially presented in 1991.

Considered by many a living monument among Blacks and others, Mr. Ashby was on hand to witness the unveiling of a stone monument at the "William Ashby-Wallace Street Park" in Newark, NJ, named in his honor. The unveiling was sponsored by the Newark Club of Frontiers International. To celebrate his 100th birthday in October 1990, more than 100 friends, politicians and family members gathered at the Newark Public Library to laud his selfless achievements throughout his life. A proclamation designated the day William Ashby Day in Essex County, and congratulatory letters from President George Bush, Governor Thomas Kean and Senator Frank Lautenberg were read. Up to the time of his death, Mr. Ashby remained active in a number of organizations. His wife, Mary, died in 1988; their only child, Catherine, died in 1942.



William Mobile Ashby '11

ORRIN C. SUTHERN II DIES

Orrin C. Suthern II died in January. A Lincoln University professor emeritus of music, he came to Lincoln in 1950 and served as a faculty member for 33 years, 15 of which were as chair of the Music Department.

A 1933 graduate of Western Reserve University with a double major in music and classical languages, he served as organist and choirmaster of St. Thomas' Church in Chicago, IL, before becoming the first African American organist to perform with critical acclaim at Orchestra Hall and the University of Chicago.

Holder of a master's degree from Columbia University (organ and conducting), Professor Suthern pursued advanced studies in organ, musicology and history, and conducting at Columbia, Princeton, and Juilliard. Prior to joining Lincoln, he served as organist and instructor

of theory at Tuskegee Institute in Alabama and headed the Music Department at Florida A and M.

Professor Suthern was the first African American organist to perform on CBS national radio and the first African American instrumentalist to perform with a major southern symphony; the writer of the first syndicated column "Music As I See It" for the Associated Negro Press; and the winner of a Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching, a bronze plaque award from New Directions for "Service to Black Music," and a \$10,000 Esso Foundation Award for the study of Black Music. He was one of 60 African Americans profiled in the 1983 book: *Role Model Blacks — Known But Little Known Role Models of Successful Blacks*, written by Carroll L. Miller.

Each year, the Orrin Clayton Suthern Endowed Scholarship is awarded to a Lincoln student majoring in music.



Orrin Suthern with Barbara Sauer.

'31

Dr. **S. BERNARD HUGHES Jr.**, a former New York osteopathic physician, died of heart disease on March 13 at his home in Philadelphia. He was 80.

Dr. Hughes retired in 1987 as a data analyst for the Manpower and Career Development Agency in New York. He previously worked in research programs at Mount Sinai hospital in New York, Harvard University, and Children's Hospital in Boston. A graduate of the Massachusetts College of Medicine and Surgery, he also studied electron microscopy at the University of Iowa.

At Lincoln, Dr. Hughes was a football quarterback, track team member, and captain of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity basketball team. He is survived by his second wife, the former Kathryn Coleman; sister, Ann McAllister-Hughes; brother, Dr. Donald Hughes; and stepmother, Blanche Hughes.

'34

ROSCOE C. WORMLEY Jr.,

owner of the Roscoe C. Wormley Funeral Home in Philadelphia, died on April 29.

A graduate of Eckles Mortuary College, Mr. Wormley was a first lieutenant in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a member and trustee of Tasker Street Baptist Church, member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, past master of Sheba Lodge No. 7, past president and charter member of Distinguished Old Men, and member of Quaker City Funeral Directors.

Survivors include his wife, Lyndia Graham Wormley; daughters Linda Meade and Donna Edwards; and two sisters and four grandchildren.

'40

The Rt. Reverend **JOHN PAE PREDOW**, a long-time leader of the Union American Methodist Episcopal Church of Wilmington, DE, died at home on January 11 of a heart attack. He was 93.

The oldest bishop in the UAME's General Conference, Rev. Predow was president and builder of the now defunct Boulden Academy and the "man behind the scenes" for the Predow Apartments, federally subsidized, church-sponsored

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housing built in the 1960's. Named for the Bishop, the project offered 72 homes for moderate-income families.

Bishop Predow served as a minister for 54 years and as a bishop for 30 years. He also served as head of the First through Fourth Episcopal districts, which cover the East Coast. A graduate of the Philadelphia Bible Institute, he is a World War I Army veteran and a 33rd degree Mason.

Bishop Predow's wife, Etzell Amelia Predow, died in 1988. He is survived by a daughter, Hermenia E. Garrett of Wilmington; a granddaughter, Lynn Garrett, with whom he lived; three other grandchildren; and eight great grandchildren.

'51

P. DONALD WHITE, who served for four years as real estate commissioner for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, died on April 25 at Chestnut Hill Hospital in Philadelphia. He was 63.

A certified property manager, property broker and residential broker, he completed graduate courses at Wharton School. Former president of the Greater Philadelphia Board of Realtors, he was also president of the Merion Memorial Park Cemetery organization and a member of Zion Baptist Church. He is survived by his wife, Rita; son, Percy; daughters Donita White-Nero, Bonnie and Eva; and a brother and a grandson.

'53

CHRISTOPHER B. CONNER died in January. He was born in Philadelphia and married to the former Alice Hamilton.

Formerly employed by the Coca Cola and Pepsi Cola Bottling Companies as a public relations representative in Philadelphia and New York and subsequently in his

own business as an inventory specialist, Mr. Conner retired in 1989 due to illness. He is survived by a daughter, Deborah Ann of San Diego, CA; his father, Claude Sr., and brother Claude Jr., both of New York; sister Vivienne C. Bernadino of Philadelphia; and a nephew, Cell Bernadino of Orange, NJ.

'58

WARREN A. GRANT, 54, died on February 15 at University Hospital in Baltimore, MD, following a long illness.

Assistant principal at Western High School for eight years, Mr. Grant began his career in the Baltimore School System as a social studies teacher at what is now the Lombard Middle School and then became assistant principal at Northwestern High School. A West Chester (PA) native and U.S. Army veteran, he was a member of the usher board of Douglas Memorial Community Church in Baltimore. Mr. Grant is survived by his parents, Clinton B. and Alverta Grant of West Chester; a sister, Betty Marie Grant of West Chester; and a nephew, Clinton B. Grant III of Baltimore.

The family has suggested contributions to the Elevator and Organ Fund at Douglas Memorial Community Church, Lafayette and Madison Avenues, Baltimore.

'66

REGINALD D. LEE died suddenly on February 26 at Mt. Sinai Hospital in Hartford, CN. He was 46.

Born in Hartford, Mr. Lee was a production coordinator at the Hartford Insurance Group, where he had been employed for 25 years. He is survived by his mother, C. Louise Jackson Lee; wife, Gwendolyn Fisher Lee; two daughters, Ronda Deanne of Sacramento, CA, and Morgan Ashley of Hartford; brother, Ronald P. Lee; sister, Lynda Costen of Bloomfield, CN; and a host of other relatives.

'78

Army Major **JOHN HOWARD GILLESPIE** became Philadelphia area's first Persian Gulf War fatality on the weekend of February 16 when the truck in which he was riding flipped over in a "non-hostile" accident.

Dr. Gillespie, an osteopathic physician, joined the Army nearly six years ago and was assigned to the

28th Medical Hospital, 18th Airborne Corps. In Saudi Arabia, he was serving with the 128th Combat Support Hospital Unit.

A graduate of Michigan State University, he went by the nickname "T.J." At Lincoln, he was a member of the wrestling and tennis teams, Co-op and Biology Clubs, and Alpha Phi Omega Fraternity.

Survivors include his wife, Kim; mother, Soledad Gillespie; and sister, Cristina Hart. Memorial services were held on February 23. Contributions may be sent to the John Howard Gillespie Memorial Fund at Lincoln; correspondence to the family, to Soledad Gillespie, 2107 Christian Street, Philadelphia, PA 19146.

'80

Master of Human Services Program graduate **ADRIENNE J. THOMPSON** died on March 26 in Montgomery Hospital in Norristown, PA. She was 50.

A clinical coordinator at Eagleville Hospital since 1974, Miss Thompson was a member of the Eagleville Alumni Association. She is survived by a stepbrother and a stepsister.



John Miller Dickey Hall, a \$5.4 million computer center and social sciences complex, was dedicated on April 13.

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