# The Lincoln Lion

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# Lincoln Commencement Honors Four Who Fight For Justice

Governor L. Douglas Wilder and Rosa Parks Receive Honorary Degrees

Before an audience estimated to exceed 5,000, Lincoln conferred 209 bachelor's and 85 Master of Human Services degrees at the University's 133rd Commencement exercises held on the southern Chester County campus on May 3.

University President Niara Sudarkasa conferred honorary Doctor of Laws degrees on Virginia Governor L. Douglas Wilder; civil rights activist Rosa Parks; Dr. Bernard Watson, President of the William Penn Foundation in Philadelphia; and the Reverend Dr. Calvin S. Morris, Director of Ministries at Howard University School of Divinity.

"In the Class of 1992," said President Sudarkasa, "we see before us those who will be the trailblazers and trendsetters of the next century . . . a graduating class that will make the name of Lincoln known to generations yet unborn."

Topically, the controversial Rodney





Honorary degree recipients Rosa Parks and Gov. L. Douglas Wilder.

King verdict and its dire aftermath were addressed in the remarks of the President and the honorary degree recipients. "How ironic and distressing it is to make these awards," said President Sudarkasa. "... to persons who have been leaders in the fight for justice and equality... at a time when we have been reminded so vividly and tragically that justice still eludes the black man in America."

Who would have thought that battles fought some 25 years ago would have to be fought again today?" asked Governor Wilder, who deplored both the verdict and the rioting. "We looked with dread at what we saw last week, when a jury found guilty people not guilty... but that temporary setback should be no cause for us to lose our composure and go off into that never-never land of despair... to pay that ultimate price of ignorance—and that is brutality—by resorting to the streets... We are not in the streets, we are here learning, we will do what is right, demand what is right, and criticize what it wrong."

He pointed to the nation's need for

leadership in the proper direction and answers to the issues of education, the homeless, and unemployment. "This (injustice) will not endure because *We* will make it different," he told the graduates. "Believe in yourselves. Know that you can do it . . . Persist until you succeed."

Mrs. Parks deplored King's treatment and the verdict, but asked that "each of us not give up but use every ounce of strength, courage and faith that we have to move forward to see that justice is done for those who are denied justice."

Dr. Watson emphasized the significance of the work of former Lincoln graduates and the importance of knowledge and education. "You have come to the right place to prepare yourself for the contributions which you will take to this world and which this distrubed nation clearly needs . . . Make a better world than we have left for you."

Dr. Morris, who urged the graduates to "dream dreams," said "I hope that you are envisioning an America that has not yet

become but that will be . . . and that you will give yourselves untiringly to this realization of America, that you will be concerned about the poor, the dispossessed, the ostracized, the forgotten."

Student Government Association President Christopher T. Curry, in his response from the class, also commented on the King verdict. "As the nation is facing a domestic crisis . . . as we leave Lincoln University, our mission has changed. We have to go out into the nation and make it a place that we Americans can honestly and proudly call our home . . . where we can say 'treat us fairly with blind justice' . . . My hope is that my class and my generation will not only rise to the call for justice but will take any measures necessary to accomplish the demise of injustice in any form.'

The ceremony was the culmination of an alumni reunion weekend which began Friday evening and included a Lincoln

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# Alumni Giving Increases

The reunion classes, alumni chapters and individual alumni donated over \$150,000 to Lincoln during the Annual Alumni Dinner on Commencement Weekend 1992, establishing a new record of giving at that event. Top contributors were the Class of 1942 (celebrating its 50th reunion), \$60,000; Washington, D.C., Alumni Chapter, \$25,000; Dr. Ernest C. Levister '58 and Harold H. Levister '64, \$20,000; and Dr. Herman P. Bailey '38, \$4400.

The number of alumni giving to Lincoln University has increased from 6% for the 1989-90 fiscal year to 9% for the 1991-92 fiscal year.

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# From the Desk of

# Dr. H. Alfred Farrell

Alumni Executive Secretary



Dr. H. Alfred Farrell '34

At the annual meeting of the General Alumni Association on May 2, the body

-listened to a state-of-the-University message from President Niara Sudarkasa and Vice Presidents Ronald J. Sheehy (Academic Affairs), Charles A. Edington (Enrollment Planning and Student Life), Lloyd Asparagus (Fiscal Affairs), and Pearl J. Kennedy (Development);

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

- received the Executive Secretary's report which echoed previous observations made in election years: we must seriously ponder where we want to go the next three years and where we should like to be by the end of the decade:
- listened to remarks of the newly appointed Director of Alumni Relations, Wyatt Johnson, who outlined what he hoped to accomplish during his tenure;
- received the report of the treasurer, Joseph V. Williams Jr., which contained the 1992-93

### budget and gave the net worth of the Association (\$55,528);

- heard from alumni trustee, Dr. Dolores S. Coleman, who gave a detailed report of meetings and actions of the Board of Trustees.
- -heard the report of the president of the Association, Thelma L. Hill, who called for alumni support of the University and the Association and greater involvement in the work of the Association.

Under new business, Ms. Hill appointed a committee, to be chaired by Sharlene Roberson, to consider the matter of mailings to alumni.

At the Annual Alumni Banquet, held

also on May 2, Alumni Achievement Awards were presented to Archie Goodwin Jr. '52, Thomas O. Mills '57, and Carol A. Black '67. The results of the election were announced: President, Thelma L. Hill '71; Vice President (East), Julius H. Taylor '38; Vice President (West), Carl O. Word '69; Vice President (South), Charoles H. Hutchings '43; Vice President (Central), Peter P. Cobbs '49; Treasurer, Joseph V. Williams '68; Historian, Ralph J. Lowry '55; and Alumni Trustee, Quintin E. Primo '34. Treasurer Williams presented the Executive Secretary a word processor from the Association in recognition of his years of

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University Concert Choir program, an open house and exhibit at Langston Hughes Memorial Library, and Baccalaureate Services on Sunday morning with an address, "Tantalizing Tempters," by Dr. John N. Doggett Jr. '42. "The Rodney King scene," he said, "is a blatant indication of what police power can do when it gets out of hand. The temptation there and all of the other manipulations that have taken place since that happened and the exoneration of those policemen and the aftermath tell us what the temptation of power can doand it's not over yet!"

At a well-attended alumni banquet, more than \$150,000 was given to Lincoln University by alumni.

Class of 1992 valedictorian is Kenneth Moore; the salutatorian, Leonard M. Purnell. Also graduating Magna cum laude was Reba Jane Hicks. Cum laude graduates are Poppy Brown, Lorene Bishop, Marsha L. Carson, Chanda Corbett, Gailien Cosby, Todd Farrow, Sharene Ginyard, Melissa Gray, Tirina Harrison, Gertrude Holder, Nova Johnson, Shawn Lyons, Tyneka Peterson, Troy Quander, Yolanda Scott, Sipho Sithole, Corey Steele, Oladele Tejumola, and David Weaver.

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Dr. Farrell,who is retiring as Executive Secretary of the Alumni Association,was feted at a surprise celebration during Commencement activities.

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# From the Desk of **Wyatt B. Johnson**

Director of Alumni Relations

(Wyatt B. Johnson became Lincoln University's Director of Alumni Relations in March 1992. Here be discusses the tasks be sees ahead.)

# The Past Can Be the Future

Being a Lincoln University graduate is more than being knowledgeable in a particular field of endeavor. Lincoln graduates incur professional, civic and moral obligations—to themselves, to other Lincoln graduates, and to the community.

Growing up in Atlantic City, New Jersey, my associations with Lincoln alumni were many. These included my father; my doctor, H. D. Marshall '25, who would not accept a fee; Learman Jackson '45, an elementary school teacher and safety patrol director; Russell Lamkin '36, my eighth grade arithmetic teacher, who later tutored me in algebra and never accepted a fee; a friend who taught me how to drive; James Usry '46, who taught me the fundamentals of baseball and basketball and the meaning of sportsmanship; and C. M. Cain '15 and Richard Lockett '18, who guided me in the YMCA and served as a pipeline to Lincoln.

These "Lincoln influences" taught me the importance of uniting with Lincoln persons of yesteryear, of being responsible, and of the importance of the sons and daughters of Lincoln being true one to another "while lifting our standards to the sky."

It is my intention to stress the old Lincoln spirit while increasing alumni chapter activities, student placement and alumni giving-all necessary if Lincoln is to remain as distinguished and competitive now as it was in the past. I hope to heighten the cultural presence of Lincoln through college fairs, career days, history months, art competitions and tours of local facilities such as museums and historic sites. I will ask graduates to contact promising students, conduct gatherings for guidance counselors, and throw send-off parties for new Lincoln students. I plan to encourage Lincoln students to interface with alumni, guidance counselors and prospective students; and visual tapes will be available for regional seminars for volunteer alums. In many of these endeavors, I am working closely with the Admissions Office.

I have sent to all existing alumni chapters packets of information on the



Wyatt B. Johnson '65

history of our University, our basic admissions procedures, and our grant programs. Also included are information on faculty credentials and program information for conducting affairs to enhance financial contributions to our alma mater.

We like to recognize the achievements of our illustrious alumni, often to bask in their glory. While these achievements are numerous, it is also true that recession and inflationary demands affect us. We, like others, have experienced cutbacks and "pink slips." Realizing this, I am working with the Career Services Center to maintain a job bank for the use of our graduates. Lists of companies are available, and Lincoln graduates are being encouraged to employ other Lincoln grads. Alumni are also encouraged to return to Lincoln to offer young graduates advice and insight regarding career alternatives.

Our illustrious past has laid for us a grand academic, spiritual and emotional foundation. It is time to build on that foundation so that we may ensure a more glorious future. In essence, I would like to see the establishment of an international network throughout Lincolndom—one which knows no geographical boundaries. I would like to see the rebirth of the old "Lincoln Spirit" and to hear the words of the venerable Dennee Bibb '11, "we will e'er be true," resound at Lincoln and throughout our communities.

# Lincoln Alumni Among NAFEO Honorees

Six Lincoln University alumni are 1992 honorees of the National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education (NAFEO). They are listed in NAFEO's Distinguished Alumni of Historically and Predominantly Black Colleges and Universities: Educating for the 21st Century, as follows:

william C. AMES JR. '70 is founder and editor-in-chief of *EMERGE* Magazine, New York, NY. A graduate of Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism, he formerly served as a reporter for *TIME* and *Sports Illustrated* Magazines. He is the recipient of the LU Student Chapter NAACP Special Award for Accomplishments in Journalism and New York University's Outstanding Entrepreneurial Award, and a member of the New York Chapter of the National Association of Black Journalism and the American Society of Magazine Editors.

HERMAN PERRY BAILEY '38, a parttime instructor of mathematics at El Paso
Community College in Texas, holds a
master's degree from the University of
Minnesota and a Ph.D. from St. Louis
University. He was previously a professor
of education and Associate Director of
Institutional Research at the University of
St. Thomas in St. Paul, MN, and at
Hampton University. The recipient of the
Elder Watson Diggs Achievement Award,
Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, and Lincoln's
Alumni Achievement Award, he is a life
member of NAACP and a member of
Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity.

CHARLES MATTHEWS BROWN '41, a retired U.S. Army Major, has been Assistant Secretary and Acting Secretary for the District of Columbia City Council, and Assistant Secretary for the D.C. Board of Commissioners. Recipient of an Air Medal with Four Clusters-Korea, 1950, he was

the first black army aviator honored at the Army Aviation School in Fort Rucker, AL; a member of the Army Hall of Fame, U.S. Army Field Artillery Center in Ft. Sill, OK; and an honoree at the Black Pilots Exhibit, Air and Space Museum, in Washington, D.C. Mr. Brown is a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity and Lincoln University Alumni Association, and a member and past president of the East Coast Chapter of Tuskegee Airmen.

FRANK C. GIHAN '72 is Senior Marketing Manager for Community Development at McDonald's Corporation in King of Prussia, PA. Holder of a master's degree in communications from Polytechnic Institute, Mr. Gihan is a member of the Urban League of Philadelphia and the NAACP. He is the recipient of McDonald's President's Award and WDAS' Unity Leadership Award.

THELMA L. HILL '71, national president of Lincoln's General Alumni Association, is an English teacher at Germantown High School in Philadelphia. She holds a master's degree in education from Rutgers University and formerly served as resident director/English instructor for Lincoln's Upward Bound Program and as an English teacher for the School District of Newark, NJ. The recipient of an Outstanding Young Women of America Award, she is a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., and the Alumni Association's Philadelphia Chapter.

President of CoreStates Bank in Philadelphia, holds an M.B.A. from Temple University and attended Dartmouth University's Graduate School of Credit and Finance. He is a member of Omega Psi Phi and Sigma Pi Phi Fraternities.



# From the Desk of **Thelma L. Hill**

President of the Alumni Association



Thelma M. Hill '71

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my fellow alumni for reelecting me to the position of president for another term. I thank you for your confidence and support for me and the programs which were introduced during my administration. I feel positive that with your continued support our association will keep growing and working for the good of our alma mater. Again, I extend my heartfelt thanks to you all.

Along with the election, which was held during the 1992 Commencement Weekend, many other activities took place. On Friday evening, alumni began arriving on campus to begin their class reunion celebrations. On Saturday morning, the Alumni Council met to conduct its business. The Council had a chance to meet with the new Director of Alumni Relations, Wyatt Johnson '65. Mr. Johnson presented an overview of his plans and promised to work closely with alumni in order to assist wherever possible.

On Saturday afternoon, the annual meeting of the General Alumni Association met, and here Dr. Sudarkasa, along with the University's vice presidents, presented a report on the state of the University. One very interesting

point was the fact that nearly 2,000 high school students have applied for admission to the University. There are slots for fewer than 400 freshmen. The applicant pool has increased significantly over last year.

On Saturday evening, the Annual Alumni Banquet was held in the dining room. There was a capacity crowd on hand for the evening's activities. The Reunion Classes made contributions to Lincoln of over \$151,000, an unprecedented amount. Alumni giving has increased steadily over the years. Fellow alumni, you are to be commended for your generosity. In addition to the recognition of Reunion Classes, Alumni Awards were presented by Dr. Farrell to Archie Goodwin '52, Thomas O. Mills '57, and Carol A. Black '67. The honorees each spoke briefly and thanked the Association for the kudos. The Association surprised Dr. Farrell with a new typewriter and a huge cake in recognition of his many years of service to the General Alumni Association.

On Sunday, the first outdoor Commencement since 1971 was held. The day was picture perfect, and the ceremonies were beautiful. Honorary degrees were conferred upon Dr. Calvin S. Morris '63, Dr. Bernard C. Watson, Mrs. Rosa L. Parks, and Gov. L. Douglas Wilder. Gov. Wilder gave the Charge to the Graduates, and this year as in the past two years, I had the opportunity of inducting our newest alumni into the Association by administering the pledge of membership. The members of the Class of 1992 affirmed their willingness to become a part of the Association by repeating the oath. It is hoped that our newest alumni will become active in the General Association as well as in their respective local chapters.

Next year the Reunion Classes will be the 3's and 8's. It is not too early to start planning your class reunions. Contact the Association, Office of Alumni Relations, your class secretary, or local chapter for information. May 1993 will be here sooner than you think.

Meet us on campus in October for Homecoming!



# Alumni Meet in Atlanta



At a June 28 meeting of Lincoln alumni, held in Atlanta, GA, at the home of Dr. Henry Mitchell '41, are (left to right) Reverend William S. Mercer '44, Dolores Hodge '75, Wyatt B. Johnson '65, James Crump '59, Cheryl Ford '76, Reverend Gayraud Wilmore '46, Dr. Abdulaline A. Shabazz '49, and Dr. Mitchell. The group discussed programs for fund-raising activities and student recruitment. A pledge of \$1,000 was made.



Dr. Henry Mitchell '41 (left) and Wyatt B. Johnson '65, Director of Alumni Relations, at an alumni meeting in Dr. Mitchell's Atlanta home on June 28.

# Philadelphia Alumni Host Musical Program

Lincoln's Concert Choir and Gospel Ensemble presented a varied program of African-American spiritual and inspirational music on March 15 at Drexel University. The event was sponsored by the Philadelphia Alumni Association.

Composed of 30 LU students, the Concert Choir is directed by Lloyd Mallory, who is also chair of the Music Department and conductor of the Concert Band at Pine Forge Academy. Dr. Karen Carney served as accompanist; Lori G. McRae, as student director. Chair of the Department of Music is Dr. Alvin E. Amos. With a current membership of 85, the Gospel Ensemble was organized in 1973; advisor is Andristine Robinson. This year's president is Renee Morehand; directors are Darrin Johnson, Sharia Hall, and Maya Miller.

# From the Desk of **Dr. Frank "Tick" Coleman**

Special Assistant to the President for Alumni Giving

As in the last issue of The Lincoln Lion, I am devoting my column to writings by Lincoln alumni and former students. This issue's guest writer is Dr. James A. "Moose" Parker '42, who has written for us a poem parody as well as some of his recollections of Lincoln. "Moose" was president of the Class of '42, a former CIAA 175-pound wrestling champion, past president of the General Alumni Association, a former Lincoln alumni trustee, recipient of the Alumni Achievement Award (1969), recipient of a Presidential Citation, and a National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education "Distinguished Alumnus" (1989).

# How I Remember Lincoln (1938-42)

by Dr. James A. Parker

Rejoicing on campus with my accomplished classmates during our 50th Anniversary Reunion caused me to reflect on our humble beginnings at Lincoln, in 1938, in the depth of the Great Depression.

As I remember, we were a pitiful looking and deprived group, and it must have been difficult for the faculty members to determine whether we had arrived to study or to be studied! Almost to the man, we now admit that we could not have made it financially at any other college.

Although I was a product of Florida and New York schools, I arrived at Lincoln, unannounced, on a rainy September evening, halfheartedly pretending to be a resident of Pennsylvania—as I had been advised to do, and with all of \$15 in my pocket. My father, then a dentist, victimized by the depression, had given me this monetary treasure along with a one-way bus ticket and these words of encouragement: "Now, go on down there and strut your stuff!"

I arrived also bearing a verbal message to the business manager from a political minded Philadelphia alumnus that a communication would be forthcoming from him on the following day regarding a senatorial scholarship for me. Well, the communication never arrived, and I shall be eternally grateful to Lincoln University, and to the late Professor Harold Fetter Grim, for having taken my **last** 15 dollars. And, of course, the senatorial scholarship

# My Alma Mater is a Pleasant Place

A Parody of Louise Driscoll's "My Garden is a Pleasant Place"

### by Dr. James A. Parker

My Alma Mater is a pleasant place Amid green hills of rolling grace. It is an ancient citadel Where the Gods of Wisdom forever dwell.

Tradition steeps her hallowed walls, Lined and draped with ivy shawls, Sending forth her sibs with knowledge strong

To guide and feed the hungry throng.

My Lincoln fulfills a pleasant dream Where black and white together team To drive intolerance from this land, Striding toward freedom, hand in hand.

A vivid picture I do recall;
A dedicated dean in a lecture hall,
Toiling and sweating the whole day
through

Teaching young students of an ebony hue.

My College is a pretty place Of sunlit glory and open space. There was ancient cherry tree Where yellow warblers sang to me, And a lofty evergreen, where a robin built her nest, and there perched upon a football goal one crooned with all his merry soul.

My College is a nostalgic place where the cultured, dressed in fineries and lace,

Embracing every race, creed and sex,
And the brightly hooded intellects
Gather beneath the stately tower
To share the long awaited hour.
They come from near and far away
To meet the bachelors young and gay,
And greet old friends the whole day
through,

And live their College days anew.

My College campus was a lovers' lane where song birds sang their sweet refrain,

And lovely maidens of yesteryear Sang and danced with special cheer. Here, many a beau all filled with pride, Chose a pretty damsel for his bride And rushed away with pent-up glee Anxious to lengthen his family tree.

My College is a romantic bowl where the beauties of nature all unfold.

Here are hummingbirds that come To seek the tall delphinium And it is hard to believe the size, And beauty of our butterflies. The lilac trees both large and small, The strongest scented of them all, Send their perfume over trees And dell and glen, to find the bees.

I wish some power would press my ear

With magic touch, and make me hear What all the blossoms say and so I might know what the winged things know.

I'd hear the sunflower's mellow pipe, "Goldfinch, goldfinch, my seeds are ripe!"

I'd hear the pale wistaria sing, "Moon moth, moon moth, I am blossoming!"

I'd hear the tender violets cry
"Oh firefly! Come, firefly!"
And I would learn the jeweled word
The ruby-throated hummingbird
Drops into cups of larkspur blue,
And I would sing them all for you!

And having no other cross to bear, And Providence grant my longing prayer;

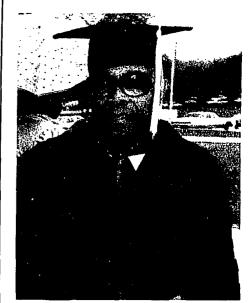
May I rest forever in eternal grace
On the sacred soil of this hallowed
place.

And every little wind that blows
Shall take my ashes as it goes
O'er fields and paths and hills
To fertilize the daffodils.
O friends, wherever you may be,
Will you not come to visit me?
A heart may travel very far
To come where its desires are.
Oh, may some power touch your ear,
And grant you peace, and make you
hear!

never materialized and the semester was almost over before any more money was paid on my account—and that came in drips and drabs. During all of this time, I was a full-time student with a pleasant job, quartered in the newest dormitory, eating three square meals a day, and

enjoying every aspect of college life. How lucky could a poor "dog" be!

Hazing of freshmen, in one form or another, was strong and constant throughout the first semester; but who cared, since we were being initiated into a great college family, each member



Dr. Frank Coleman '35

bonded to the other by that true **Lincoln Spirit** in which all were deeply rooted and grounded. Back in those days of strict segregation, we all regarded Alma Mater as one of the Big Four of the East (Harvard, Yale, Princeton, and **Lincoln**, but not necessarily in this order!)

We were all for one and one for all, and when one took a trip off campus, he was usually all decked out in the clothes of several other students. Since he represented Lincoln, everyone wanted him to look the part, and it usually took the best garments of four or five other students to accomplish this feat. Being students at the oldest liberal arts college for Black males in the entire country, and with dedicated faculty members such as Professors Grim, Dickey, Johnson, Miller, Grubb, Hill, and the like, and with Lincoln's great traditions and legacy, as Dick Gregory put it: "We weren't poor, just broke."

After only a few weeks at Lincoln, I made my first trip away from the campus: to North Carolina as a member of the varsity football squad. The evening after the game, some hoodlum with a handgun, probably disgruntled over the trouncing that the local team had taken, crashed the party which we were attending. Then bedlam ensued as he sprayed the house with bullets! After all of the commotion was over, two of our big tackles, "Tank" Gilmore and Jim Dorsey, and a fullback, "Hog-head" Williams, had received minor bullet wounds and another had been slightly cut with flying glass. Our captain and leader, Herbert

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# In Memoriam

# Former Lincoln Professor

Dr. L. LARRY BABER, former chair of sociology and the Division of Social Science at Lincoln, died of liver failure on December 25, 1991, in Christiana Hospital in Delaware. He was 42.

At the time of death, Dr. Baber, a resident of Bear, DE, had been an associate professor of sociology and psychology at Goldey Beacom College for 11 months. He had also worked for the Delaware State Department of Services for Children, Youth and Their Families for three years.

A graduate of Delta Community College in Saginaw, MI, he held a bachelor's degree in sociology from Grand Valley State College, a master's from Central Michigan University, and a doctorate from Bowling Green State University. He was a member of Prince Hall Masonic Lodge and of Alpha Kappa Delta Sociology Honor Society, and named to *Who's Who Among African Americans* in 1985.

Dr. Baber is survived by his wife Barbara, a former professor of HPER at Lincoln; a stepdaughter, Tanya Averett; his parents, Wilson and Estella Baber of Idlewild, MI; a brother, James of Saginaw; and a sister, Lucille Harvey of Dixmoor, IL.

# '25

**J. B. SIMMONS JR.,** a grandson of slaves who led the drive to integrate Toledo (Ohio) industries and became the first African American to hold local elective office, died of a heart attack on December 21, 1991. He was 93.

A seven-term city councilman and onetime vice mayor of Toledo, Mr. Simmons, in his later years, was considered a municipal elder statesman. A community center was named for him, and both prominent and average citizens filled SeaGate Center for a testimonial dinner in his honor.

A graduate of Booker T. Washington's Tuskegee Institute, Mr. Simmons fought for integration of public housing projects in the 1930s and then formed his Mass Movement League, a civil rights group that challenged local factories, stores and banks to hire members of Toledo's growing black community. In 1945, his campaign to become the first black to serve on Toledo city council electrified central city neighborhoods; and his support of temporary housing for veterans, payroll income tax, a new airport, new traffic commission and the North Toledo bridge project won him broad support beyond the black community. A nominal Democrat with an independent streak, he studied law at night at the University of Toldeo and eventually passed the bar.

Mr. Simmons' law practice served as the training ground for a generation of young black lawyers, including his son, J. B. Simmons III, and Municipal Judge Robert Penn.

He was a member of the Toledo and Lucas County Bar Associations, Golden Rule Lodge of Elks, Toledo Chapter of the NAACP, YMCA, and the Frederick Douglass Community Association; a Sunday School teacher, steward, and former trustee and Sunday School superintendent at Warren AME Church; former grand assistant secretary and deputy grand master of Ohio Prince Hall, Grand Lodge of Masons, F&AM; and a former polemarch of the Toledo alumni chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity. In addition to his son, survivors include his wife of 64 years, Isabelle, who suffers from Alzheimer's disease.

# '28

Dr. **DANIEL B. PERRY** of Dublin, GA, died on December 3, 1991. He was a graduate of Meharry Medical College, a retired U.S. Army captain, and retired board-certified anesthesiologist at the VA Hospital in Brooklyn, NY. He also practiced at Harlem Hospital and was a member of St. Paul A.M.E. Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Gwendolyn Walthour of Dublin; two grandchildren; stepmother, Eliza Perry; four sisters, Lucy Perry, Druzy P. Little, Irma Powe, and Rachel P. Jerry; and an aunt, Lizzie Harrington.

### '29

Dr. **GEORGE A. JONES**, of Steelton, PA, died on February 26 in Susquehanna Rehabilitation and Nursing Center. He was 87.

The first African American doctor to be appointed to the medical staff of the Polyclinic Medical Center (formerly Polyclinic Hospital), he was a member of Harrisburg Hospital's Medicine and Obstetrics Department and co-chief of the allergy section.

Dr. Jones established and organized Harrisburg's first Freedom Fund Dinner, which became an annual affair in support of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). He was instrumental in initiating, and was a past president of, NAACP's Dauphin County Branch; led a campaign to desegregate Harrisburg public housing and Steelton elementary schools; initiated a movement to influence the Harrisburg Bus Company to hire black drivers; served on the State Conference Executive Committee: and was chair of the Housing Committee and the Health and Welfare Committee, which attacked segregation of patients in Pennsylvania hospitals on the basis of

A 1935 graduate of Howard University Medical School, Dr. Jones received the 1959 "Omega Man of the Year" award from Kappa Omega Chapter of Omega Psi Phi fraternity, and a plaque from Steelton's First Baptist Church in recognition of his community service. He was a board member of the Tri-County Welfare Council, Tri-County Planned Parenthood Association, and Tri-County Equal Opportunity Commission; member and trustee of Tabernacle Baptist Church; past president of Club Twenty-One; and a member of Harrisburg Frontiers Club International, Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce, Cyrene Elks Lodge 169, and Chosen Friends F&AM Lodge 43, Prince Hall Affiliate.

Dr. Jones, widower of Helen P. Brandt Jones, is survived by son George B. Jones, LU '59, of Washington, D.C.; granddaughter Krystal K. Jones, LU '87; son James A. of South Orange, NJ; daughters Shirley E. Carter of Newark, NJ, and Suzanne B. Smith of Greensboro, NC; seven other grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

# '32

**DONALD H. HUNTER,** who served three terms as chief justice of the Indiana Supreme Court, died on October 27, 1991. He was 80.

Mr. Hunter served on Indiana's highest court from 1967 to 1985. Formerly, he was in private law practice, LaGrange Circuit Court judge from 1948 to 1962, and a judge on the Indiana Court of Appeals from 1963 to 1967. He also served one term, 1943-44, on the Indiana House of Representatives.

A World War II Army veteran who received the Purple Heart and Bronze Star, Mr. Hunter was a member of the Indiana Constitutional Revision Commission, judicial disciplinary commission, and the state and LaGrange County Bar Associations. He was also awarded Indiana's highest civilian honor: being named Sagamore of the Wabash.

Survivors include his wife, Violet K. Hunter, a daughter, son, sister and three grandchildren.

# **'34**

**RAYMOND HATCHER,** 83, died of leukemia on December 24, 1991.

Assistant director of the Phyllis Wheatley House in Minneapolis, MN, from 1938 to 1942, Mr. Hatcher was instrumental in the establishment of that center's summer camp program, education club, black history class, social club, college scholarships and vastly improved athletic program. From 1942 to 1945, he was assistant director of the Detroit Urban League; from 1945 to 1962, director of public housing in Royal Oak, MI; from 1962 to 1965, director in the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) office in Philadelphia; and, until his retirement in 1973, HUD U.S. Government regional director in Detroit. He also worked with Detroit's Poverty Program and on special assignments for the Citizens League.

In 1974, he returned to Minneapolis and served for several years as a volunteer and board member of many civic and social welfare agencies. A member of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Palestine Lodge #7, and Prince Hall Masons, Mr. Hatcher held a master's degree in public administration from Wayne State University in Detroit, MI.

Survivors include his wife of 56 years, Mary Alice. A Ray Hatcher Scholarship Fund has been established at the W. Harry Davis Foundation in Minneapolis.

# In Memoriam

# **'39**

**ELBERT C. ROBINSON,** 74, died on February 3 in Houston, TX. He is survived by his wife, Verna C.; daughter Angela R. Weatherspoon; son Elbert Cotten Robinson; sister Rosalie Gordon Mills; brother Dr. Arthur J. Robinson; and grandchildren Clara Robinson and John David Weatherspoon.

A graduate of Howard University Law School in Washington, D.C., Mr. Robinson began his legal career with the Federal Government at the Office of Price Administration and then served for 20 years as an attorney at the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB). In 1967, he entered the U.S. Foreign Service, serving as Labor Attache at the American Embassy in the Hague, Netherlands. He returned to the U.S. to work briefly at the State and Defense Departments before returning to NLRB. After retirement, he served as labor arbitrator for Bethlehem Steel and Continental Can Companies of Baltimore, MD.

An active member of Lincoln
Congregational Temple, for which he
served as a trustee, and member of the
Lincoln-Westmoreland Housing Board,
Mr. Robinson was a member of Kappa
Alpha Psi Fraternity and the District of
Columbia Bar Association. He was
formerly on the Board of the U.S.O. of the
District of Columbia and president of the
Rock Creek East Neighborhood League.
His hobbies included golf, tennis,
swimming and travel.

# **'47**

Dr. **JOHN WALKER ARMSTEAD JR.**, 65, died of cancer on April 2 in a Dallas,

TX, hospital. He was a Baltimore, MD, native.

An obstetrician and gynecologist, Dr.

Armstead had been medical director of the Fairmont Center, a reproduction and

family planning clinic in Dallas. Formerly, he was associated with the Preterm Center of Reproductive Health in Washington, D.C., and the Food and Drug Administration in Rockville, MD. He was a graduate of Meharry Medical College in Nashville, TN, and held a master's degree in public health from the Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene and Public Health.

A former member of the Army Medical Corps, Dr. Armstead served his internship and residency in Kansas City, MO. He is survived by two daughters, Karen D. of Silver Spring, MD., and Dr. Angela Gaskin of Vicksburg, MS; two grandchildren; and a sister, Marion Conway of Baltimore.

### **'51**

FRANK MCCRAY JR. died on January 6 in East Orange, NJ. He was 66. A retired school teacher, Mr. McCray served in the Navy during World War II. At Lincoln, he was an outstanding athlete, captaining the football and baseball teams. He earned a master's degree from Columbia University in New York and moved, in 1955, to New Jersey with his wife, the former Margaret L. McCants.

After working for the U.S. Postal Service, he gained a teaching position in special education in the East Orange School System, where he was employed for 22 years before retiring in 1984. During his tenure, he served as chair of the curriculum council and as an assistant football coach.

A Eucharistic Minister and Lay Reader of St. Peter Claver Church in Montclair, he was a member of the choir, bowling team, and parish council. In addition to his wife, he is survived by three daughters, a son, and three grandchildren.

# '62

**NORMAN W. POE,** a native of Newport News, VA, died on October 28, 1991. He was 51.

Mr. Poe is survived by his son, Brian, of Oakland, CA; his mother and stepfather, Audrey Poe and David S. Allen of Hampton, VA; a brother, James, of New York City; and a sister, Marion Redicon of Dallas, TX.

### **'63**

**CHARLES W. HERR JR.,** a store manager at Uni-Mart in Christiana (PA) and a resident of New Holland (PA), died on May 2. He was 50.

Mr. Herr was a member of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church in New Holland and the Knights of Columbus of Ephrata. He is survived by his wife, Jane Flora Herr; a son, Andrew; a stepson, John Hoagland; a daughter, Sherie; a stepdaughter, Elizabeth; his parents, Charles W. Sr. and Elizabeth Hannum Herr; two grandchildren; and three sisters, Jane Johnson of Oxford, Judy Shields of Newark, DE, and Joan Martin of Drumore.

# '65

Dr. CHARLES E. DICKERSON II,

author, professor, academic administrator, foundation consultant and businessman, died on March 4 at Genesse Hospital in Rochester, NY. He was 48.

At Lincoln, Dr. Dickerson was an Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity officer, member of the Wrestling Team, listed in *Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities*, and the winner of the History Department Prize. He did graduate work in African History at Boston University before entering the University of Rochester where he earned a Ph.D. in history.

Dr. Dickerson was an assistant professor of history and Director of Black Studies at Lincoln (1971-74), Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs at Dartmouth College in New Hampshire (1974-76), Associate Dean of Students at Marshall University in West Virginia (1976-77), and Director of Third World Affairs at Carleton College in Minnesota (1977-85). He later taught history at Glendale Community College in California.

He served as a consultant and seminar leader for the Danforth Foundation
Liberal Arts Workshop and retained the position with the Lilly Endowment Liberal Arts Workshop; as a consultant for the Lilly Endowment; and on the intercultural review panel for post-doctoral fellowships for the Charles A. Lindbergh Jr. Fund. He founded the Edward Charles Insurance Sales Company, a successful health benefits consulting firm; worked for the Los Angeles-based Dickerson Employee Benefits firm, which his brother Carl

established in 1965; and was a director of the Turnpike Marketing Company.

Dr. Dickerson served on the boards of Young's Chapel A.M.E. Church in Huntington, WV, and the Northfield (MN) Better Chance Program; was a member of Baber A.M.E. Church in Rochester; taught as a volunteer at Glen Mills (PA) Correctional Institution for Boys; lectured at Federal Corrections Institution in Ashland, KY; and was active with the NAACP in West Virginia and with Urban League affiliates in Minneapolis and Rochester.

Dr. Dickerson is survived by his wife, Gwendolyn Perry Dickerson; two sons, Charles Edward and William Perry; his parents, Carl and Oswanna Dickerson; and numerous other relatives.

### '80

Master of Human Services Program graduate **LOIS CUEBAS-MAHADY** of Glen Spey, NY, died in Port Jervis, NY, following a long illness. She was 45.

Mrs. Cuebas-Mahady was an administrator for the Human Service Agency in Barryville, NY, and a Cub Scout den mother. She is survived by her husband Benjamin Cuebas, her mother Muriel Brown Mahady, three sons, one daughter, two brothers, and two sisters.

# '82

Master of Human Services Program graduate **PATRICIA S. IRWIN QUICKEL** of York, PA, died on December 3, 1991. She was 64.

Mrs. Quickel, an alcohol and drug abuse counselor at York Hospital for ten years before retiring in 1990, was a volunteer with Access-York. She was the widow of John A. Quickel Jr. and is survived by two sons, John A. III and David J., both of York.

# Homecoming Day October 24, 1992

# REUNION





In commemoration of its 50th reunion, the LU Class of 1942 made a milestone contribution of \$60,000 to its Alma Mater.







Class of 1957.



Class of 1967.



Class of 1972.

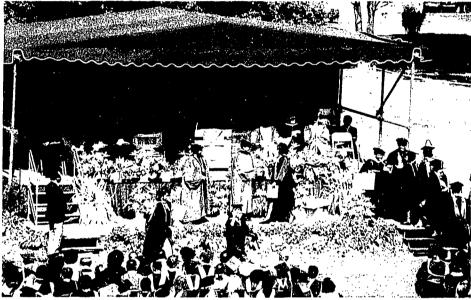
# 1992



Class of 1977.



Class of 1982.



For the first time in 20 years, Lincoln's 1992 Commencement was held outdoors.



Lincoln University Ladies' Auxiliary.



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# '28

A reception and luncheon honoring **JOSEPH A. BAILEY**, Esq., was held by the Lincoln University Club of New York at Henry House in Brooklyn on April 11.

# '30

The Honorable **THURGOOD MARSHALL**, the first Black Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States and the leader of the NAACP legal team that argued the watershed 1954 Brown v. Board of Education to end the doctorine of "separate but equal" racial segregation, was feted on February 28 at a banquet sponsored by the APEX Museum in Atlanta, GA.

Justice Marshall retired in 1991 after 24 years of stubborn and often eloquent liberalism on the Supreme Court, bringing to a close an active legal career that spanned 58 years. During his service, he unfailingly championed the rights of criminal suspects, fought the imposition of the death penalty and took an expansive view of the right to privacy and freedom of speech. His decisions endorsed affirmative action and the right to an abortion. A 1933 graduate of Howard University Law School, he has received scores of national and local medals, awards and citations for his work in the field of civil rights.

Atlanta Mayor Maynard Jackson, who served as honorary chair of the APEX banquet, wrote in a statement on the occasion: "Justice Marshall symbolizes truth, courage and honor to all people seeking equality, justice, fairness and freedom in our society today."

# '32

Dr. **FRANK BROWN**, former dean of Hood Theological Seminary in Salisbury, NC, retired from full-time service to the Seminary in 1973 and part-time teaching in 1990. A graduate of the Teachers College of Columbia University in New York, he joined the Seminary in 1946 as a faculty member and became dean in 1953. He was instrumental in developing the architectural plan for the current facility.

### '35

Rev. Canon **THOMAS W. S. LOGAN**Sr., retired rector of Calvary Episcopal
Church in Philadelphia, PA, an Episcopal
priest for more than 50 years, and
currently serving the parish of St. Matthais
Episcopal Church in West Oak Lane,
Philadelphia, was recently inducted as the
first member of the Hall of Fame of

Walter George Smith School in Philadelphia.

The only Black canon in the Episcopal Church, Dr. Logan is a 1926 graduate of Smith. He is a co-founder of the Afro American Historical and Cultural Museum and the West Philadelphia YMCA.

# '37

Superior Court Judge **EUGENE H. GADSDEN** was recently cited by the *Savannah Tribune* for his positive influence in the community. Admitted to the practice of law in Georgia in 1955, he was known throughout the state for his competent leadership from 1964 to 1974 as chair of the Political Advisory Council of Savannah. According to the Tribune, the Council during those years was the most united, and probably most influential, Black political organization in *Georgia*.

A graduate of North Carolina Central University Law School, Judge Gadsden served from 1968 to 1974 as Assistant County Attorney for Chatham County and Recorder Pro-Tem of Recorder's Court of Savannah and from 1974 to 1979 as Administrative Law Judge for the State Board of Worker's Compensation before being appointed in 1979 a Judge of Superior Court for the Eastern Judicial Circuit of Georgia. He is a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity, The Frogs, the Georgia Association of Black Lawyers, the Legal Aid Society of Savannah, and The Pythagorus Lodge of Prince Hall Masons. Chair of the Board of the Westside Comprehensive Health Center. He is also a director of the Southern General Council and the Savannah Branch of the NAACP.

Judge Gadsden and his wife, the former Ida Jenkins and a Professor Emerita of Education at Armstrong State College, are the parents of two children: Dr. Greer G. Larned, a Savannah pediatrician, and Geoffrey E. Gadsden, a Philadelphia paralegal.

# '39

**LEROY PATRICK** recently received the J. A. Williams Award—the highest honor given by the Alleghenians, a small but well-known organization in the Black community. Named for the late pastor of Baptist Temple Church in Homewood (PA), the award was given to Rev. Patrick in recognition of his history of community involvement and long service as pastor of Bethesda United Presbyterian Church.

"We look at quality of one's life and at

# 1982 Graduate is Coordinator of Corporate Relations

Carla Maxwell-Ray, former owner and operator of Creative Business Advisors, an independent consulting firm in Wilmington,DE, has been named Coordinator of Corporate Relations at Lincoln. She reports to Dr. P. J. Kennedy, Acting Vice President for Development and External Relations.

Valedictorian of Lincoln's Class of 1982, Ms. Ray holds a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Delaware. She has been employed as a government/major account manager with Clement Communications in Chadds Ford, a district manager for American Future Systems in Bryn Mawr, and senior resident claims representative for Aetna Life and Casualty Insurance Company in Philadelphia.

Ms. Ray is a small business mentor for the New Castle County Economic Development Corporation, member of the Delaware Chapter of Lincoln University Alumni, and president of the Class of 1982 Alumni. She is an active member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc., Zeta Omega Chapter. Listed in



Carla Ray '82

Who's Who Among College Graduates, she recently received the Women of Excellence Award presented by the University of Delaware.

Ms. Ray is married to Robert A. Ray, a 1979 Lincoln alumnus; the couple has two children, Marquia and Robert III. She joined the Development staff on June 1.

the value one places on life," said Club President Maureen F. Cross Bolden. "We look at strength of character and at the commitment made in trying to make the world a better place. Rev. Patrick fits that criteria."

Rev. Patrick, who retired in 1985, is now pastor emeritus at Bethesda and a member of the permanent judicial commission of Pittsburgh Presbytery. He and his wife Norma, the parents of two grown sons, live in Oakland.

Holder of a 1942 Master of Divinity degree and a 1946 master's degree in sacred theology from Union Theological Seminary in New York, Rev. Patrick also studied at Crozer Seminary in Chester. He was awarded an honorary Doctorate of Divinity degree by Lincoln in 1946 and named one of "100 Leaders of Tomorrow" by *Time* Magazine in 1953. Credited with helping to integrate Highland Park and Paulson swimming pools, he was invited to serve on the local NAACP board, where he chaired a number of committees over the years. He also served as a school board president.

Rev. Patrick participated in demonstrations to protest slum conditions and the lack of Black workers on building projects and to promote city school integration. He was arrested twice for protest activities.

### '42

New York State Supreme Court Justice **BRUCE WRIGHT** served as keynote speaker at a tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., held in January on the St. Croix and St. Thomas campuses of the University of the Virgin Islands. His topic was "The American Criminal Justice System and its Impact on People of African Descent and the Poor."

Judge Wright was appointed to New York's Criminal Court in 1969 by then New York City Mayor John Lindsay. Known for his refusal to follow the usual practices of setting bails which most defendants (many of whom were African-American) could not pay and of sending young offenders to jail for misdemeanors, he earned wide support in New York's African-American and poor communities as well as the ire of the New York Police Department. He was elected to the Civil Court in 1980 and promoted to the State Supreme Court in 1982, where he expects to serve until his mandatory retirement in 1994 at the age of 76.

A decorated war veteran and graduate of New York Law School, Judge Wright

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began his law career representing such jazz greats as Art Blakey, Charlie Mingus and Max Roach. He is also a historian, poet and author of the book "Black Robes, White Justice," which documents the racist character of the New York criminal justice system.

Judge Wright's visit to the Virgin Islands was jointly sponsored by the Pan-African Support Group of St. Croix and the Imbokodo Society of St. Thomas.

# '46

# Dr. EDWARD S. COOPER—a

professor of medicine at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, a 24-year member of its medical staff and an internationally recognized expert on stroke and hypertension—recently began a term as president of the American Heart Association (AHA). Informing the masses so that people practice prevention will be germane during his term of office. "We've got to figure out ways to try to close the gaps between the frequency of cardiovascular disease for minorities, while not neglecting the others, because this is where the big disparity exists," he said. "AHA has received grants to develop cardiovascular educational programs to help us reach minority communities that are affected. This also includes certain Hispanic groups that have rates close to that of Blacks."

As a member of the AHA board of directors and later as chair of its stroke committee from 1982 to 1984, Dr. Cooper became active in defining the direction of the association. He holds dozens of titles and memberships.

Dr. Cooper, who has treated Martin Luther King Jr. and the former Mayor Wilson Goode of Philadelphia, encourages young African-Americans to pursue careers in medicine, pointing out that only three percent of American physicians are Black and that opportunities are great since schools are actively recruiting them.

### '47

**ARCHIBALD HOLLAND,** a novelist, freelance writer, and consulting editor to the *Harlem Quarterly* in New York City, was active on the lecture circuit during Black History Month. His engagements included Swarthmore College and the University of California at Berkeley.

Dr. **JIM LAW**, a professor of psychology at Johnson C. Smith College in Charlotte, NC, won the 100-, 200-, and 400-meter dashes at the 1991 U.S. National Senior Sports Classic III in Syracuse, NY. In the final heats, he ran the 100 in 13.11 seconds, the 200 in 26.20, and the 400 in 58.93 seconds.

Dr. Law now holds the American records for men 65-69 in the 100- and 200-meter dash and the world record in the 400-meter.

Dr. Law, who describes himself as a mediocre sprinter when a student at Lincoln, is 65 and holds a master's degree in psychology from New York University and a doctorate from Duke. Six years ago, he was a heavy smoker and had high cholesterol. He credits his running success to a cessation of his 49-year smoking habit, exercise and a macrobiotic diet. "... old can still be vital, vibrant and alive," he says.

### **'50**

JOHN PATTERSON JR., founder and president of the South Bronx Overall Economic Development Corporation (SOBRO), received one of the first honorary degrees awarded by Lehman College since its founding in 1968 at the school's 24th annual commencement on June 2.

Recipient of an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from Lehman, Mr. Patterson holds a Doctor of Laws degree from Brooklyn Law School, which he attended nights while working and raising a family. He is a native of Harlem.

Mr. Patterson, along with other community and business leaders, established SOBRO in 1972 to reverse the trend of economic deterioration in the South Bronx. Since then, the organization has helped to bring over 1000 new companies and more than \$100 million in new capital to the area. A prime deliverer of employment training programs for the South Bronx, SOBRO has generated some 20,000 new jobs and provided over \$290 million a year in annual payroll. It has also laid the groundwork for an additional \$60 million in new capital for industrial projects currently in progress.

Credited with opening doors for many Blacks who pursue careers on Wall Street, Mr. Patterson, a pioneer in the investment field, established and successfully operated the first Black-operated brokerage firm there. In the mid-1960's, he co-founded and headed the Interracial Council for Business Opportunity, the nation's first program established to aid minority entrepreneurs. In 1989, Mr. Patterson started the South Bronx Leadership Forum, a series of breakfast meetings for business and civic leaders to engage in meaningful dialogue on topics of interest to the community. In 1990, he helped found and launch "Positively Bronx," a borough-wide campaign to promote a more positive image of the Bronx.

In 1986, Mr. Patterson received the New York Urban League's coveted Frederick Douglass Award for his "distinguished contributions towards the cause of equal opportunity."

Mr. Patterson is a member of New York City Housing Authority's Commission on Human Services and Public Housing, where he chairs the Subcommittee for Human Resources and Economic Development. He was also appointed by Governor Cuomo to serve as a member of the Temporary State Commission on Workers' Compensation. A member of the executive committee of the Association for a Better New York, he formerly served as a board member of the Lehman College Foundation, chair of the Urban League's Manhattan Advisory Board, and vice-chairman of the board of Bank Street College.

# **'53**

EARNEST H. SMITH, an associate professor of pediatrics at the Martin Luther King Jr. Hospital and the Charles H. Drew Medical School, was guest speaker at the Trinity Baptist Church's Annual Scholarship Sunday, held March 15 in Philadelphia.

Dr. Smith serves as a pediatric cardiologist, director of the King/Drew School Health Programs, director of the Community Division of Pediatrics, and codirector of the Compton Sickle Cell Center. A native of Bethlehem, PA, he received his M.D. degree from Howard University. He also studied piano at the Bethlehem Conservatory of Music.

A lay minister at both Trinity and the United Church of Christ, Dr. Smith has served as church pianist/organist and director of church adolescent programs and choirs, and has also taught piano. He organized and participated in numerous conferences and workshops related to adolescents and drug abuse, stress, violence, and gang violence.

### **'5**9

**RAYMOND CRENSHAW,** a managing partner of York (PA) Suburban Laundry and Dry Cleaners and a member of York School Board, has been named to serve on York's City Council. His term runs through January 3, 1994.

A member of the York Area Chamber of Commerce's board of directors and active with a number of civic organizations, he holds a master's degree in government administration.

HERBERT L. GRIMES was honored at Du Pont's sixth annual Corporate Marketing Excellence Recognition, held April 9 at the Playhouse Theatre in Wilmington, DE. He received a crystal trophy and a medallion pendant bearing the bust of Eleuthere Irenee du Pont, founder of the company and first marketer of Du Pont products.

Mr. Grimes' recognition was as a member of the "White Corian" team.



Herbert L. Grimes '59.

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# **'61**

Dr. **LEONARD L. BETHEL** has coauthored (with Frederick A. Johnson) a book entitled *Advancement Through Service: A History of The Frontiers International* (1991, University Press of America), which chronicles the intense, never-ending efforts of a national service organization functioning on a local community level.

Dr. Bethel is an associate professor and past chair of the Department of African Studies at Rutgers University and pastor of the Bethel Presbyterian Church in Plainfield, NJ. A former vice-moderator of the United Presbyterian Church, Synod of the North East, he has authored several other books and numerous magazine articles. His many recognitions and honors include listing in "Who's Who for Community Leaders of America"; membership in Phi Delta Kapa Fraternity; the Paul Robeson Faculty Award; a Presidential Citation from the National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education; selection as a participant in the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation of Princeton University's summer institute on "Global Interdependence and New Jersey Education"; and appointment by Governor Thomas Kean as a member of the New Jersey Historical Commission.

### '62

WILLIAM CUFF, 75, was honored by the Coatesville Club of the National Association of Negro Business & Professional Women's Clubs at the organization's 28th Annual Founder's Day Awards Luncheon in Exton, PA, on April 18, when he received the Club's Professional Award.

Mr. Cuff retired in 1978 after teaching for 26 years and serving as a department chair of special education in the West Chester Area School District and teaching at the Bureau for Child Care in Pomeroy for six years. He was awarded the Chapel of the Four Chaplains Award in 1950, the Kappa Chapter No. 364 Federation for Exceptional Children Award in 1969 and the Mason of the Year Award in 1980.

He served on the board of directors for

the Chester County association for Retarded Children; is a past president of Kappa Chapter No. 364 Pennsylvania Federation for Exceptional Children, the Young Married Couples Fellowship Club, and the Pan Hellenic Assembly of Chester County; is a past Master of Lily of the Valley Lodge No. 59 F&AMPHA; and was a member of the Pennsylvania State Education Association and the Valley Township Planning Commission.

Mr. Cuff is married to the former Anna Mae Hampton; the couple has one son, William Jr., and a grandson, Blaire.

### PATRICIA REDD JOHNSON is the

Director of Development and an educational consultant for the Efficacy Institute, Inc., a Lexington, MA, not-for-profit organization which provides educational consulting services to urban public school systems. Efficacy has programs throughout the United States.

Ms. Johnson holds a master's degree in administration, planning and social policy from Harvard University. She was an English Speaking Union Treadwell Scholar at Oxford University International Graduate Summer School in 1980. A teacher and administrator in the New York City Public Schools for 16 years, she was director of admissions at the Dalton School in New York City until 1989.

CARLTON D. TROTMAN has been appointed director of training for New York Therapeutic Communities, Inc., of New York City. He is responsible for staff training with the Corporation's Stay'N Out Criminal Justice Program, a prison-based chemical dependency treatment program for incarcerated alcoholics and drug abusers. He also provides training and technical assistance for corrections and criminal justice personnel nationwide and internationally in establishing prison-based treatment programs and community-based alternatives to incarceration.

Prior to his current position, Mr. Trotman served as director of the Corporation's drug-free residential aftercare facility for recovering exoffenders on parole.

Holder of a master's degree from the Graduate School of Education of New York University, Mr. Trotman has done postgraduate work at the University of Delaware, Ohio State University, and John Jay College of Criminal Justice. He is currently a master's degree candidate at Pennsylvania State University's Great Valley campus in Pennsylvania.

He is certified in drug and alcohol prevention and treatment and as a trainer in HIV/AIDS prevention.

Mr. Trotman is married to the former Sarah Helen Woodyard.

# '65

OSCAR L. HARRIS, AIA, has been appointed to the board of directors of the High Museum of Art in Atlanta, GA. President and principal-in-charge of design for Turner Associates/Architects & Planners, Inc., in Atlanta, he holds a master's degree in architecture from Carnegie-Mellon University.

His architectural experience includes design work on projects such as Underground Atlanta, Fulton County Government Center, Fulton County Judicial Center, Zoo Atlanta revitalization, the Coca Cola Pavilion, and the master plan for Atlanta University Center's role in the 1996 Olympics. He currently is design principal for the new international Concourse E at Hartsfield.

Mr. Harris is on the board of Families First, president of the board of Wolf Creek Wilderness School, a member of 100 Black Men of Atlanta, and affiliated with the Council of Minority Transportation Officials, Business Council of Georgia, and Central Atlanta Progress. He was twice named to "Who's Who Among Black Americans."

# '66

Dr. **ROBERT L. ALBRIGHT**, eleventh president of Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte, NC, was one of five prominent educators who served as panelists for a North Carolina A&T State University forum, "The Future of Higher Education." The December 1991 event was the conclusion of A&T's yearlong centennial celebration.

Dr. Albright, who holds a master of arts

degree from Tufts University in Massacusetts and a Ph.D. from Kent State University in Ohio, is a native of Philadelphia. He is chair of the board of directors of the American Council of Education, the first African American to serve in that capacity.

Dr. Albright also served as keynote speaker at the United Negro College Fund 1992 Central Ohio Campaign Kick-off luncheon, held on April 16 at the Hyatt Regency Ballroom in Columbus.

### **'67**

JULIAN ELLISON was honored by the Chicago District of the Internal Revenue Service for five years of Federal service. An industry economist with the Examination Division and resident of Near North, IL, he holds a doctoral degree from Columbia University.

# **'68**

Dr. **J. PAUL STEPHENS** has been named executive director of the highly acclaimed, internationally renown Chuck Davis African-American Dance Ensemble (AADE). In his new position, he serves as the group's chief executive officer with major responsibility for planning and fund raising activities.

Formerly senior assistant to the president, director of Alumni Relations, and Title III coordinator at Lincoln, Dr. Stephens has also served as an assistant dean at Dartmouth College and a math teacher in Philadelphia schools. He received his master's degree from Temple University and a doctorate in higher education administration from Indiana University. A member of Actors' Equity Association, he is a former board member of Philadelphia's Freedom Theatre and a member of the National Society of Fund Raising Executives and Omega Psi Phi Fraternity.

Dr. Stephens is married to Janet Smith Dickerson, vice president for student affairs at Duke University. The couple has three daughters.

The AADE, based in Durham, NC, is a professional company that travels extensively to colleges and universities,

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schools, conferences, festivals, correctional facilities, and other public venues to share the joy and celebration of black dance through classes, workshops, concerts and lecture/demonstrations.

# **'69**

**CHARLENE J. SMITH,** of Cleveland Heights, OH, has been named education and marketing coordinator with the national Office of Communication of the United Church of Christ. Her duties include creating and marketing resource materials, developing grant proposals, fund raising, designing workships, and handling advertising and subsidized space for church publications.

Ms. Smith was formerly an editorial assistant for the *United Church News*, director of the Shaker Heights Community Church Hunger Center, research assistant for the medical division of the Peace Corps, a realtor, medical and pharmaceutical sales representative, and medical technologist. A member of Shaker Heights Community Church and president of its Christian Women's Association, she is the mother of one son.



Charlene J. Smith '69.

JOEL TOLLIVER, director of the New York State University College at Brockport's Cultural Center for Student Services and Development, has been named to the Board of Directors of the Mohandas K. Gandhi Institute for the Study of Non-violence. Based in Memphis, TN, the Institute teaches and practices non-violence and offers classroom instruction for conflict resolution.

A resident of Pittsford, NY, Mr. Tolliver holds a master's degree from Yale University and a divinity degree from Colgate Theological Seminary. He is pursuing a doctorate at the University of Buffalo.

### '70

**BYRON WOODSON** is executive director of the Central Germantown Council in Philadelphia, a community-based community development agency whose mandate is the redevelopment of the Germantown business district. He holds an MBA from Temple University.

Pennsylvania State Representative **GORDON J. LINTON,** who is running for his sixth term in the 200th Legislative District, recently sponsored a bill that would require a prison impact statement before consideration by the General Assembly of any bill that would have an impact on prison or jail systems throughout the state. "This proposal will allow us to make educated and informed decisions as we cast new votes about criminal sentencing," he said.

First elected to office in 1982, Rep. Linton has guided into law legislation that created a \$5 million revolving loan fund for minority business; established the Office of Minority and Women-owned Businesses with cooperation of the Governor; was responsible for securing dedicated funding for mass transportation; reformed and reestablished the Civil Service Commission, the Historic and Museum Commission, and the Athletic Commission; upgraded laws regulating licensing boards, including the State Barbers, Physical Therapy, Psychology, Nurses, and Public Accountant Boards; and made it a felony

for a business to falsely front as a minority or women-owned business.

On July 24, Rep. Linton sponsored a cleanup project in Philadelphia, joining members of the Philadelphia Youth Service Corps and Young Linton Lions to clean up a vacant former crack house.

# **'71**

Dr. **DENNIS DICKERSON** has been named the Stanfield Professor of History at Williams College in Williamstown, FL.

Dr. Dickerson joined Williams in 1976, leaving in 1985 to teach for two years at Rhodes College in Memphis, TN, where he was named First Tennessee Professor of History. At Williams, he serves as chair of the Afro-American studies program and coordinates the college's participation in the Mellon Minority Undergraduate Fellowship Program. His research focuses on Afro-American, American labor, and American medical history.

**DOROTHY R. JACKSON** has been appointed by Speaker of the House Thomas S. Foley to the position of legislative assistant assigned to the Democratic Steering and Policy Committee. She acts as liaison for the Education and Labor, Energy and Commerce, Government Operations, and the District of Columbia Committees. The former chief of staff to U.S. Rep. Barbara-Rose Collins and later to Rep. Edolphus Towns, Ms. Jackson has served as Director of Special Projects for the Subcommittee on Select Education. She was also a law assistant for a New York attorney and directed early childhood education and taught junior high school level English for the New York City Board of Education.

Ms. Jackson founded the Council of African American Administrative Assistants and Associates, a staff organization in the House of Representatives that helped new African American staff members. She is the recipient of numerous awards, including the 1990 National Black Police Association Civil Rights Award, the 1989 Mid-Brooklyn Civic Association Public Affairs Award, and the Concerned Women of Brooklyn 1988 "Women on the Move" Award.

Ms. Jackson holds a Juris Doctor degree from Seton Hall University in Newark, NJ, and certificates in criminal justice administration and professional management from Jackson State University and Harvard University, respectively.

Dr. **JEAN MELVIN-MARTIN** assisted with and appeared on the Lou Rawls United Negro College Fund Telethon, which was broadcast in December 1991. The appearance stemmed from her experience, during a tour of duty as U.S. Consul in Geneva, Switzerland, as an adoptive mother/aunt to two female high school students, one from Montego Bay, Jamaica, and one from Accra, Ghana. Because of Dr. Melvin-Martin's influence, one of the girls is now a student in the United States and the other has secured a position with the United Nations in Geneva.



Dr. Boyce Williams '74

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Dr. **BOYCE C. WILLIAMS-WILLIAMS** assumed on July 1 the position of Director of Institutional Relations for the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education, headquartered in

Teacher Education, headquartered in Washington, D.C. In this capacity, she works with all teacher preparation

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universities in the country which have or are seeking national accreditation in teacher education. There are currently more than 1200 such institutions.

Formerly Director of Teacher Education at Elizabeth City State University in Elizabeth City, NC., and an administrator with East Lansing (Michigan) Public Schools, she holds master's and Ph.D. degrees from Michigan State University.

Dr. Williams-Williams is married to Reynauld M. Williams, an attorney; the couple has two children, Lauren and Reynauld Jr.

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GEMECHISA GUJA and his wife, Rachel, are half owners of a new restaurant venture: The Blue Nile, an authentic Ethiopian eatery recently opened in Granite Run Square, Lancaster, PA, and the only Ethiopian restaurant in Lancaster County.

Holder of a master's degree from Cheyney University, Mr. Guja is employed by Family Services of York. Mrs. Guja is a nurse.

# **'76**

CALVIN TUCKER was named director of the Minority- and Women-Owned Business program at the Valley Forge (PA)-based Resolution Trust Corporation in March 1992, after serving as acting director since September 1991. He joined the government agency in June 1990 with 16 years of experience in mortgage banking, accounting and contracting, including serving as head of the Home Unity Mortgage Services at Home Unity Savings Bank and president of his own Philadelphia management consulting company.

The Resolution Trust Corporation is responsible for the sale and management of insolvent savings and loans and their assets. Mr. Tucker's job is to encourage minority- and women-owned businesses in northeastern United States to work on the disposition of the failed companies.

### **'81**

**ALBERT WAYNE LINTON** of White Plains, NY, was recently married to the former Sonia Colice Belton, also of White Plains. The couple's wedding trip was to Aruba.

Mr. Linton is the owner/operator of a limousine service; his wife, a graduate of Hofstra University, is employed by Citibank, N.A.

# '83

Master of Human Services Program graduate **LOIDA ESBRI-AMOR** is a cultural consultant for a production of Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night," Latinostyle. Featuring a multi-ethnic cast and island setting, the production is being staged by the Lancaster-based company, Co-Motion, and directed by Barry Magnani of the Acting Company of Cape Cod. Ms. Esbri-Amor's job is to insure that the dance and all other elements of the fictional island culture ring true to the Latino experience.

Ms. Esbri-Amor, who was born in New York to Puerto Rican parents who later raised and educated her in Puerto Rica, moved to Lancaster in 1976 as a divorcee with two young sons. A graduate of Millersville University, she has served as president of the Board of Lancaster's Spanish American Civic Association, worked for Catholic Charities, and is currently office manager of Hamilton Bank's New Holland Avenue branch. Her dance troupe, Forlanco, gives "informances" prefaced by folklore and cultural background information to increase audience understanding and appreciation.

# **'8**4

Master of Human Services Program graduate and part-time instructor **LEVERNE ALFORD** began on April 1 as director of the Bensalem Youth Development Center in Pennsylvania, which houses 75 male offenders aged 14 to 20. Formerly administrator of the 28-bed Southeast Secure Treatment Unit in West Chester with 20 years of experience in dealing with juvenile offenders, he was chosen over several dozen applicants who responded to a national search.

### '87

**TRACEY J. HUNTER** has been appointed Lincoln's Special Collections Librarian.

Holder of an M.L.S. from the University of Pittsburgh, Tracey has traveled extensively in Africa and was a voting delegate at the International Federation of Library Associates, held in Moscow in 1991.



Tracey Hunter '87

Master of Human Services Program graduate **DOREEN LOURY** has been appointed director of Beaver College's Act 101 program. In this position, she provides support services, e.g., tutoring and study skills, for students who are Pennsylvania residents and meet Act 101 guideline criteria.

Currently a doctoral candidate in the Department of African-American studies at Temple University, Ms. Loury has worked at Temple for the past 10 years as assistant director of continuing education and as coordinator of undergraduate and graduate recruitment in the School of

Social Administration. She is a veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps, a reservist for the U.S. Air Force Reserves, and a member of the Germantown YMCA Board of Directors.

**JANICE PARKER** was recently married to Charles C. Duncan Jr. The bridegroom, a graduate of Western Carolina University, is the son of Dr. Charles C. Duncan, chair of Lincoln's Psychology Department.

**ANITA CONNORS WHITE** recently received a Ph.D. degree in chemistry from the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC). She is one of approximately only 40 African American women in an American work force of 45,650 chemists with doctorates.

A summa cum laude Lincoln graduate, Ms. White earned pre-doctoral fellowships from the Illinois Minority Graduate Incentive Program and the Committee on Institutional Cooperation. She also won the UIC Chemistry Department's 1988 Excellence in Teaching Award.

# '91

Master of Human Services graduate

YVONNE BONITTO-DOGGETT has
been appointed to the Casino
Reinvestment Development Authority in
Atlantic City, NJ. A resident of Atlantic City,
she is also chair of the Atlantic City
Planning Board; director of economic
development for Atlantic County; and
former chair of the New Jersey
Development Authority for Small
Business, Minority and Women's
Enterprise.



Anita Connors White '87.

# From the Desk of **Dr. Frank "Tick" Coleman**

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Norris, better known as "Selassie," drew most of the fire but ended up without a scratch. **We were all extremely** fortunate!

The next day while riding back on the bus, Monte Irvin, also a freshman at the time, noticed two bullet holes in the trousers he was wearing and was worried all the way home about how the owner of those trousers would take the news. After hearing the moans and concerns of others, in this regard, I realized that probably half of the student body had some trinket or item of clothing on that bus. Upon returning to school, the campus bell began ringing and all the students turned out to welcome their victorious team back home and to inspect and reclaim their belongings. All was forgiven when they were told why their clothes were damaged and soiled.

I made many official trips with various teams and groups during my four glorious years at Lincoln-with the boxing and wrestling teams, Glee Club, Drama team, etc.—and took many unauthorized trips to varied and sundry places with the famous Rabble. I found, whenever we visited, the same high spirit of brotherhood, caring, sharing, camaraderie, and togetherness throughout the entire Lincoln Family. This seems to have been a part of the legacy handed down from the Founding Fathers, the Rendalls and Dickeys, through Drs. Walter Wright, William Hallock Johnson, and the "Hammer Man," My Favorite, The One and Only—Dr. Harold Fetter Grim, who from 1912 to 1962 exerted a

**Grim,** who from 1912 to 1962 exerted a strong influence on every student and every aspect of the University.

Moreover, strong alumni such as Henry "Kid" Collins '10 & '13, William Ashby '11, Dr. Walter Jerrick '13, Dr. Dave Morris '18, Dr. Walter G. Alexander '99, and Drs. Hildrus Poindexter, Robert S. Jason, George Cannon, and Wayne Coston, all of the class of 1924, made frequent trips back to the campus, serving as strong role models for us. These men had a strong and abiding love for Alma Mater which was infectious. During the last years of "Kid" Collins' life, even though an invalid, he frequently accompanied me to Lincoln. And on his death bed, he made me promise that I would spread his ashes on Lincoln's campus. This I did with the permission of the Board of Trustees. The urn was placed in Vail Memorial Hall, which was then the library.

This left a lasting impression upon me, and it was hoped that somehow this might start a tradition. Earlier, back in 1948, I brought my first born son back to be christened in the Chapel. The Reverend Drs. Jessie B. Barbour Sr. '14 & '17 and Frank T. Wilson '21, who officiated, thought that it would be nice if a tradition could be started in this direction.

Now that it appears that the Spirit of yesteryear might be somewhat on the wane, we must find something to make us, as a family, more responsive to Alma Mater. Since all of the aforementioned Lincoln immortals are now deceased, it is left up to us, the younger members of the old school, to pass the torch on to the younger members of our College Family and impress upon them that they also owe Alma Mater a debt of gratitude.

That Good Old Lincoln Spirit must shine forever. Let us together rekindle the flame and revel as it flares! Hail, Hail, Lincoln!

(The following was excerpted from a letter I received shortly after Commencement.—FTC)

... To say that I enjoyed my 50th
Reunion and Commencement weekend is
to put it mildly! The buildings and
grounds look great, and to see all my old
friends and to meet our President
Sudarkasa was truly wonderful. Finally, to
breakfast and renew our, my, and my
Ramsey family friendship with (Tick
Coleman) was a distinct pleasure.

Since my return home, I have talked up Lincoln, like never before. As a result, my priest has asked that he be sent brochures and material and bulletin board data that he can put up and distribute in our church.

... It was great being there. I also went down and visited Coach and Mrs. Rivera. They look well. Best to you and the President.

> Sincerely, Bill Ramsey '42

# **Alumni Meet in Los Angeles**



(Left to right) Schuyler Nelson '36, Wyatt Johnson '65, Dr. Marion Johnson '37, at a June 14 meeting of Lincoln alumni in the Los Angeles home of Robert Boyd '48. Plans were made for a social event and continuing student recruitment efforts to increase student body representation from California.



Bob Boyd '48 and Wyatt Johnson '65, in Los Angeles, CA, on June 14.



Ray Butler '49 (left), who arranged the June 14 alumni meeting in Los Angeles, and Wyatt Johnson '65. Director of Alumni Relations.

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# Homecoming '92 Schedule of Activities October 18-24, 1992

# Sunday, October 18

Miss/Mr. Lincoln Coronation, 7 p.m., Manuel Rivero Hall Worship Service, 11 a.m., Chape

# Alumni-Student Convocation Wednesday, October 21

4 p.m., Mary Dod Brown Memorial Chapel "The Lincoln I Remember"

# Thursday, October 22

Campus Organizations Show, 8 p.m., Manuel Rivero Hall

# HOMECOMING DAY

# Saturday, October 24

General Alumni Association Executive Council Meeting 9:30 a.m., Vail Hall Board Room Ladies' Auxiliary Meeting, 10 a.m., Guest House Department Exhibitions and Displays, 10 a.m.

Langston Hughes Memorial Library Open House, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Invitational Cross Country Meet, 11 a.m. Soccer Match, 10 a.m.

Alumni-Student Luncheon, 11:30 a.m., Student Union Building Homecoming Parade, 2 p.m.

Homecoming Concert, 9 p.m