

The Lincoln Lion

Spring 1994

Lincoln Enters 140th Year With Ongoing Success

Lincoln Masters Graduate Becomes Mayor of West Chester

Master of Human Services graduate Clifford DeBaptiste '84 was elected the first African American mayor of the Borough of West Chester, Pennsylvania. Taking office in January 1994, he had been named Citizen of the Year in West Chester and had served on the West Chester University Board of Directors and various public Commissions.

Mayor DeBaptiste, who was fifty-five years old when he entered the Masters Program at Lincoln, recalls that "I had fun going to Lincoln. I never missed a class; I was never late for a class." When he was a student, he used to study early in the morning, starting at 3 or 4 a.m. Normally he is a 5 a.m. riser. "I don't go to bed early, either." He remembers hearing a Lincoln professor suggest that one of the Masters Program students may well become a mayor.

The Mayor was sworn in the church where his wife's funeral was



The Honorable Clifford DeBaptiste '84, Mayor of West Chester, Pennsylvania

held two years before. At the inauguration, ministers enjoined him not to walk it alone, reminding him to make sure the Lord was with him and to be compassionate in his dealings with rich and poor alike. His three daughters—Inez, a lawyer; Celeste, a surgeon; and Lillian, an MBA—spoke of his extraordinary energy, vision, and compassion. Mayor DeBaptiste frugally uses one tea bag for two cups of tea. He recites the poetry of Langston Hughes, collects paintings, (especially African American artists), and purchases art objects from around the world on his trips to Asia, Africa, and the Mideast. He also begins and ends all he does with prayer. "God got me in, will be with me while I am in, and will be there when I leave," said Mayor DeBaptiste of his new position.

"So much needs to be done and you need so many people to do it," he reflected. "I don't walk around with a

big 'I' and little 'you's.'" Believing that the average person needs a break now and then, the Mayor recently forgave a host of parking tickets associated with the severe winter weather. "We are all ambassadors," says Mayor DeBaptiste. "If I can make a job easier for somebody, it benefits everybody." Mayor DeBaptiste doesn't want any one person to get the credit for the revitalization that is happening in West Chester. "The people in the trenches are the ones who count."

The poem "Mother to Son" by Langston Hughes hangs on his kitchen wall. "Well, son, I'll tell you: // Life for me ain't been no crystal stair. // It's had tacks in it, // And splinters, // And boards torn up, // And places with no carpet on the floor— // Bare. // But all the time // I've been a-climbin' on," recites the new Mayor of West Chester, Pennsylvania.

Lincoln Graduates Excel in Doctoral Programs



Nneka Azikiwe '93

Medicine

Nneka Azikiwe '93 is studying medicine at Harvard Medical School. She is the granddaughter of Nnamdi Azikiwe '30, the first President of Nigeria, who led Nigeria to independence from British rule in 1960. She was a student in the LASER (Lincoln Advanced Science and Engineering Reinforcement) program and also a MARC (Minorities Access to Research Careers) Scholar. During summer breaks she worked in

laboratories with professors at Penn State and Massachusetts Institute of Technology as well as Harvard Medical School. Nneka's goal is to work in the international medicine field, perhaps for UNICEF or the Pan American Health Organisation.

English

Lenetta Raysha Lee '85 is pursuing a Ph.D. in English at Temple University. She earned her Masters



Lenetta Raysha Lee '85

Degree at Ohio State University. "I am glad I came to Lincoln," says Lenetta. "It is a wonderful place to be educated." At Lincoln, Lenetta recalls that she "grew up, learned a lot about myself, and became historically aware and culturally conscious." Lenetta

comes from the town of Lincoln University. Her grandmother owned a restaurant called Ye Ole Lion's Inn (better known as Sissy's). She fed many a Lincoln student even when they didn't have money. As a girl, Lenetta

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Alumni: Please Note

Alumni Association Ballots will be sent only to those alumni who have paid 1993-94 dues by March 1, 1994. There will be no balloting at the annual meeting.

Summary of May '93 Phonathon Donations Received as of March 8, 1994

Number Pledging: 272
Number Received: 119
Amount Pledged: \$20,201
Pledges Received: \$6,425
(Per Detail Roster)
Percent of Pledges Received: 43.8%
(# rec'd./# pledged)
Percent of Amount Pledged Received: 31.8%
(Pledges rec'd./Amnt. pledged)
Pledges Received*: \$6,660
(Per Lists)

*Difference between amounts received per detail roster and lists is due to pledges paid in excess of the amount pledged.

Summary of October '93 Phonathon Donations Received as of March 8, 1994

Number Pledging: 318
Number Received: 100
Amount Pledged: \$27,865
Pledges Received: \$7,905
(Per Detail Roster)
Percent of Pledges Received: 31.4%
(# rec'd./# pledged)
Percent of Amount Pledged Received: 28.4%
(Pledges rec'd./Amnt. pledged)
Pledges Received*: \$8,470
(Per Lists)

**Phonathon limited to specific areas and those who have not given in the last few years.

The 1854 Society: A Growing Planned-Giving Component

The Office of Development and External Relations is pleased to announce the establishment of a new giving society: The 1854 Society. This Society will recognize individuals who have notified the Development Office of an individual planned giving arrangement to support Lincoln University.

Already, several alumni have become members of this distinguished group of devotees who have included Lincoln in a bequest or designated Lincoln as the beneficiary of a life insurance policy. This kind of dedication and commitment provides continued support and substantially influences the future of the University.

For example, a bequest of at least \$5,000 can provide a perpetual scholarship fund.

In an effort to bring more alumni into the Society, the Alumni Office is developing an alumni lawyer pool to provide free counsel to those who are interested in scheduling the preparation of a planned giving document for Lincoln. Currently, these volunteers number only ten, but they represent some of Lincoln's and the nation's most outstanding attorneys. We expect that the group will grow and that Lincoln can soon have a viable 1854 Society.

Lincoln Basketball

Men Win ECAC Title Again

Lincoln overcame a six-point deficit to win its second straight Eastern College Athletic Conference Division III South Basketball championship with a 75-71 overtime win against Frostburg State University.

Frostburg (17-9) led 26-25 at the half, with the teams even at 60-60 at the end of the second half.

Cory Thames led Lincoln (16-7) with 17 points and 11 rebounds. He helped rally the Lions, who trailed 61-55 with five minutes of regular play left.

Lincoln went on a 12-0 run in the last 1:30 of regulation and the first two minutes of overtime to take a 67-60 lead with 2:52 to play in overtime. Shannon McCants scored five of his 11 points in overtime. Derick Spence added 16 points, Ray Curry 14.

Thames, who also pulled down 11 rebounds, won the tournament MVP award. It was his 19th double-double of the season.

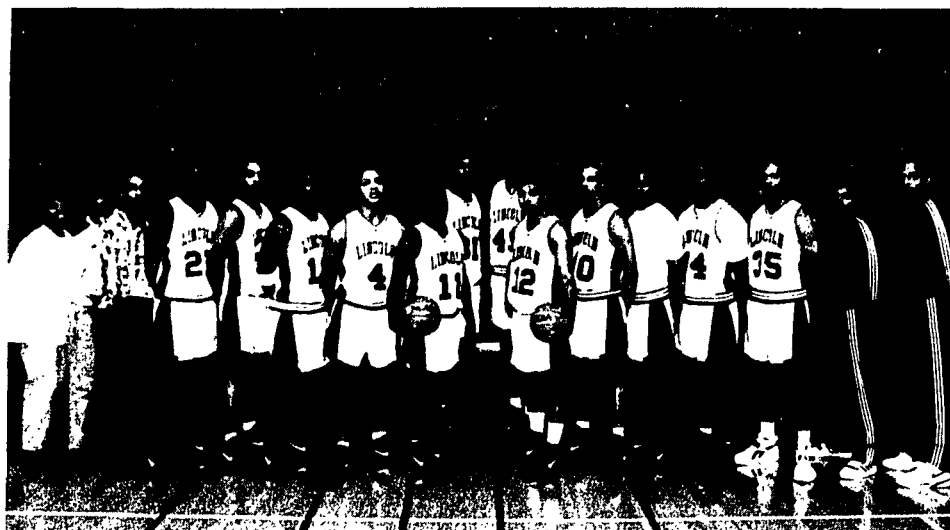
Led by Head Coach Robert Byars and Assistant Coach Andy Haman, the winning team consisted of James Billups, 33; Thad Braithwaite, 43; Andre Carr, 10; Ray Curry, 23; Darius Gilbert, 31; Raymond Grimes, 14; Leon Howard, 40; Shakhil Lyles, 12; Shannon McCants, 11; Derick Spence, 4; Cory Thames, 35; Tyrone Tyson, 44. The Managers are Robert Knox, Lakeshia Maclin and Christie Yarn.

Women Have Bright Spots

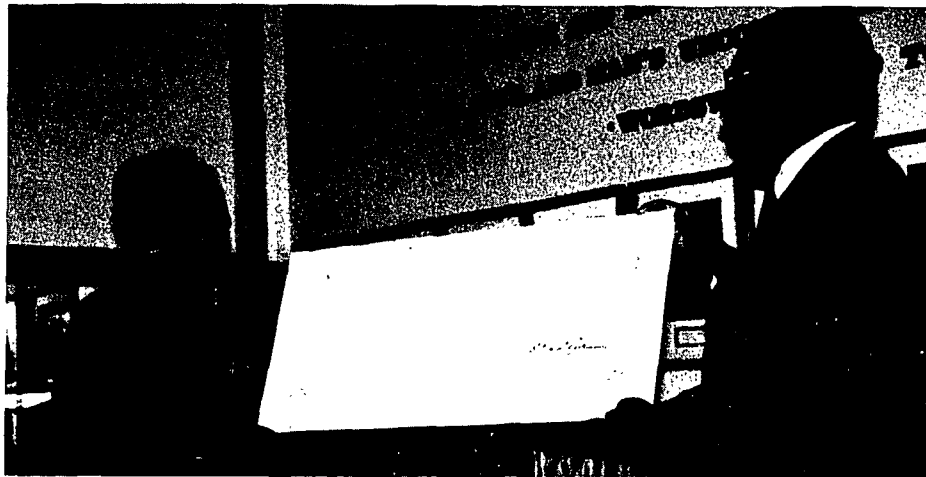
The Lady Lions finished their season with a 5-14 overall mark, but considering that Lincoln had won just one game in the prior three years, those five victories were a definite breakthrough. "In that regard, I'm pretty pleased with the season, and I'm pleased with the overall effort," said first-year head coach Paul Makovsky. "We played a really tough schedule this year, and I know that it's going to take more than a year to turn this program around."

But those wins were not the only bright spots. Monica Fitzgerald and Naneka Braithwaite were two others. Fitzgerald, a junior center who stands at 5' 11", was the leading shot-blocker among the nation's Division III players, averaging 6.9 blocks a game and totaling 132 for the season. Braithwaite, a sophomore, is now the sixth-ranked rebounder nationwide among Division III players. She averaged 15 rebounds per game, 310 for the season.

"The future looks bright," said Coach Makovsky. "There is a lot of tradition in the men's program, and I think that there is plenty of room for the women's program."



Lincoln University Men's Basketball Team, Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference (ECAC) Southern Regional Champions



President Niara Sudarkasa receiving check from Dr. Claibourne D. Smith, Vice President of Technology and Professional Development for the Du Pont Company

Alumnus Facilitates Du Pont Company Grant

Bruce McMillan, '73, a Lincoln University Executive Mentoring Committee member and formally Account Manager for Database Marketing & Sales and Printing & Publishing for Du Pont Imaging Systems, was instrumental in obtaining for Lincoln a forty-thousand dollar grant from the E.I. Du Pont de Nemours & Company. A check was formally presented by Du Pont's Vice President of Technology and Professional Development, Dr. Claibourne D. Smith. The President of Lincoln, Dr. Niara Sudarkasa, accepted the gift on behalf of the Pre-College Lincoln University Science (PLUS) program.

Dr. Sudarkasa thanked Du Pont for being a role model in its investment in high school students who would otherwise have lacked support, but who, because of the PLUS program, will be brought to Lincoln University for a four-week intensive summer program. "It will be our students, those that are here now and those that will come behind them, who will demonstrate by their success that the

investment you have made was well worth it," she said. The summer program consists of science and mathematics courses, intensive training in laboratory and computational skills, and an SAT preparatory workshop. The enrichment activities include field trips and research presentations. The PLUS program has been administered by the Department of Chemistry since 1988.

The PLUS program at Lincoln University has been a remarkable success. Almost nine out of ten students who have gone through the program went on to college, and nearly eight out of ten of those who did majored in sciences. Dr. Smith expressed Du Pont's excitement about the program that helps minority students pursue careers in the sciences, mathematics, and engineering.

"Today's students are tomorrow's chemists and engineers," said Dr. Smith. "Through our support of programs such as PLUS, we are working to insure that Du Pont's future workforce is one of the most competitive in the world.

Alumnus Instrumental in Procuring Capital Cities/ABC Inc. Grant for Lincoln

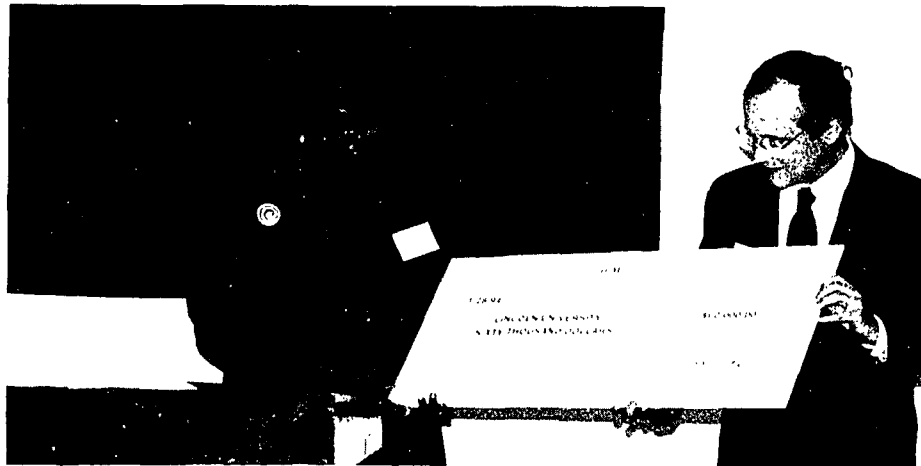
Lawrence L. Smallwood Jr., a 1963 Lincoln alumnus and president of Inter-Arts, Inc., of Philadelphia, was instrumental in procuring a fifteen-thousand-dollar grant for Lincoln University from Capital Cities / ABC, Inc. The grant will be paid over a three-year period and used for training and encouraging students in the fields of communications and journalism. "(It) signals a particular commitment that is resoundingly well-known throughout the Broadcast industry," said Smallwood. "Capital Cities, Inc. / ABC Television, Inc. is a unique institution in broadcasting and I think that that difference is evidenced in its largess and its presence here symbolically and actually in the presentation of this award to Lincoln University, the greatest university in the United States."

President Sudarkasa said that "this institution is fortunate to have a very distinguished history on which we can draw, but history alone is not sufficient to get us into the twenty-first century. What we need are resources; what we

need are strong partners who can help us to provide what we call an education with a global perspective. Lincoln is determined to produce students who are fully competitive with anyone anywhere on the planet."

Dr. P. J. Kennedy, Vice President for Development and External Relations, said that "Channel 6 is joining a number of corporations" whose "partnerships foster a strong globally prepared workplace which will benefit corporations with quality, efficiency, and diversity in operations and services."

David S. Minors, a Lincoln University Junior English Education Major, read his poem that ended thus: "if I could have anything // I would want that time back // I would change my life, become a better man // stand up for myself, instead of reaching out my hand." Carla Ray, director of the program that arranges corporate partnerships with Lincoln, said that "it keeps me going when corporations are willing to reach out to the community."



President Niara Sudarkasa receiving check from Mr. John W. Field, Jr., President of J. P. Morgan Delaware

Lincoln Alumnus Initiates Partnership that Leads to a \$120,000 Gift from J.P. Morgan Delaware

Lincoln University alumnus and J.P. Morgan employee **Robert A. Allen '80** initiated a corporate partnership with J.P. Morgan Delaware that led to a gift of \$120,000 in funding and equipment. The gift included a three-year grant, twelve computers, and the use of the Team Focus decision support system (together valued at an additional \$60,000).

Dr. Sudarkasa spoke of the "global enterprise common to both" and "interpersonal and technical skills" that the gift would support. The gift will help establish a Finance and Banking Program at the University. It will

further strengthen the already strong technical training provided by the Department of Economics and Business Administration. The funding will help the Department provide scholarships, mentoring programs, internships, seminars, lectures, tutoring sessions and field trips in the area of Finance and Banking. The computer workstations, loaded with the latest data management software, will equip a computer learning center for Lincoln University students. The Team Focus system will teach current decision-making techniques and will allow students to solve business problems.



Tick Coleman '35 is Luncheon Honoree



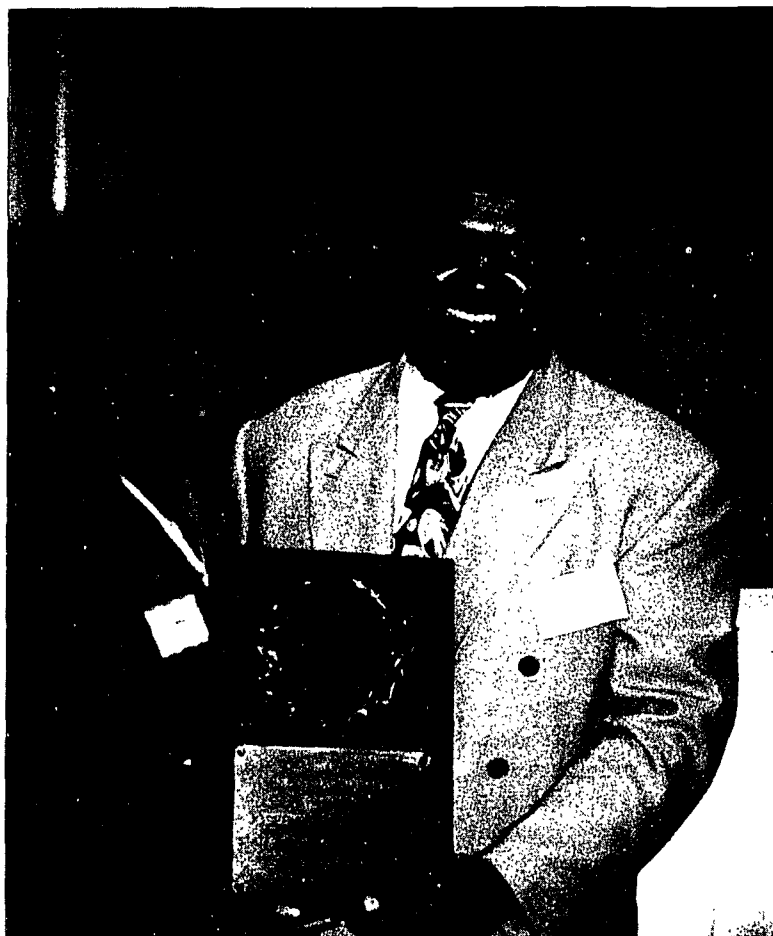
Dr. Frank (Tick) Coleman '35

Dr. Frank (Tick) Coleman, Lincoln University's Special Assistant to the President for Alumni Giving, was honored at the National Philanthropy Day Awards Luncheon, sponsored by the Greater Philadelphia Chapter of the National Society of Fund Raising Executives (NSFRE) in partnership with the Greater Philadelphia Cultural Alliance, the Pennsylvania Association of Nonprofit Organizations, Delaware Valley Grantmakers, and United Way of Southeastern Pennsylvania. It was held on November 16, 1993 in the ballroom of the Hotel Atop the Bellevue in Philadelphia.

As the University's Distinguished Honoree, Dr. Coleman received a commemorative medallion. Twenty-seven other Distinguished Honorees and five Philanthropy Award recipients were also recognized.

Dr. Coleman has been an important part of the daily operations of Lincoln's Development Division for more than a decade. A 1935 Lincoln Graduate, he holds a master's degree from the University of Pennsylvania and an honorary doctorate from Lincoln, where he served on a volunteer basis as Director of Alumni Relations from 1981 to 1988 and as an alumni representative on the Board of Trustees for ten years. A 1981 retiree of the School District of Philadelphia, Dr. Coleman has done extensive community work, serving in leadership capacities with the Philadelphia YMCA, the Wharton Settlement, the Wissahickon Boy's Club, the Department of Public Assistance, the Philadelphia Department of Recreation, the Peace Corps, the Salvation Army, the Neighborhood Center-South, the Wilmont Boys' Club, the Curtain Community Center, the Southside Camp, and the Lansdowne Board of Education. He has received Lincoln's Outstanding Alumnus Award, the Philadelphia Community Award, and numerous other honors.

Entrepreneur Honored



Joseph V. Williams, Jr. '68

Wilmington, Delaware entrepreneur **Joseph V. Williams, Jr., '68**, was honored as 1993 Delaware Minority Small Business Person of the Year on October 5, 1993 at a luncheon for 330 people in the Hotel DuPont, part of the area's Minority Enterprise

Development Week. Mr. Williams started the Joseph V. Williams, Jr. State Farm Insurance Agency from scratch in 1972; it has since grown to more than \$250,000 in gross sales and services more than 1,500 households.

NAFEO Honors Three Lincoln Alumni



John W. Robertson '39

Keith E. Brown '73

Earl O. Pree '34

Three Lincoln Graduates were honored as Distinguished Alumni of the Historically and Predominantly Black Colleges/Universities by NAFEO (the National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education) during its 19th National Conference on Blacks in Higher Education, March 23-27, 1994, at the Washington Hilton Hotel: **Keith E.**

Brown '73, Director of the Office of Southern African Affairs, U. S. Agency for International Development; **Earl O. Pree '34**, former Program Assistant/Education Director, Philadelphia Model Cities Program; and **John W. Robertson '39**, Medical Advisor to the President, JFK Memorial Hospital, Philadelphia.

Lincoln Graduates Win Medical Honors

Dr. Edward S. Cooper, '46, has been awarded the highest honor of the Philadelphia County Medical Society, the Strittmatter Medal. Dr. Cooper's organizational activities have included Chair, Talent Recruitment Council, National Medical Association (1964-67); Chair, Committee on Scientific Evaluation for the annual session (1970) of the American College of Physicians; Chief Proctor, American Board of Internal Medicine written examination center in Philadelphia (1973-89); Board of Directors, Blue Cross of Philadelphia (1975-); member of several committees of the National Institutes of Health; member, Board of

Trustees, Rockefeller University; and President of the American Heart Association; (1992-93). Surgeon **John W. Robertson, '39**, was also honored by the Philadelphia County Medical Society. He is Emeritus Chair of the Department of Surgery and Medical Advisor to the President of J. F. Kennedy Hospital. A founding member of the American College of Surgeons, Metropolitan Philadelphia Chapter, Dr. Robertson was the first African American to serve on the Pennsylvania State Board of Medical Education and Licensure, serving as Chair of the Board during rewriting of the Medical Practice Act.

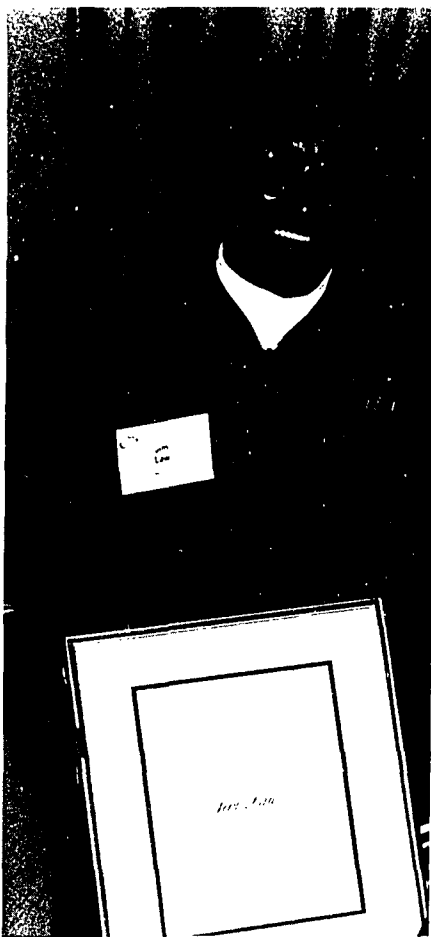
Class Notes

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Dr. **JOHN L. LAWTON** will be going to the Republic of Benin in West Africa to work with the Directors of Teacher Training as part of the Teachers for Africa Program, part of the International Foundation for Education and Self-Help (IFESH).

'47

Dr. **JIM LAW**, a professor of psychology at Johnson C. Smith College in Charlotte, NC, has set outdoor world records for the 400-meter and 200-meter runs in the 65-to-69 age group of the U.S. National Senior Sports Organization; he also holds the U.S. outdoor record in the 100- and 60-meter dashes. In May 1993, he received the President's Council on Physical Fitness & Sports' Silver Eagle Corps Award. He was subsequently featured as "The Fastest Man Age 65+" in the October 1993 issue of *Ebony Magazine*.



Dr. Jim Law '47

Tuskegee Airman **LOUIS R. PURNELL** spoke on November 14, 1993 at a program honoring U.S. Air Force Members, 1941-1993 at West Chester University, Pennsylvania. He was first to speak in the panel titled "Remembrances: Tuskegee Airmen, WWII (1941-1945)." Purnell flew eighty-seven 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, D.C.

'48

Dr. **EMERSON EMORY**'s story, "Benny Binion," was accepted for publication in *Legacies*, stories of courage, humor, and resilience, of love, loss, and life-changing encounters by new writers sixty and older. The publication, edited by Maury Leibowitz and Linda Solomon, was sponsored by the Jewish Association for Services for the Aged. The story appears in the section entitled "Heroes and Friends."

'50

JOHN PATTERSON JR. has been elected a director of five stock mutual funds (Genesis, Guardian, Manhattan, Partners, Selected Sectors) managed by Neuberger & Berman of New York. Co-founder and president of the South Bronx Economic Development Corporation (SOBRO), Mr. Patterson formerly worked in the Institutional Sales Department of Bache & Co. and founded and operated a brokerage firm. He holds a Doctorate of Law degree from Brooklyn Law School.

'58

PAUL L. PEELER, director of the Defense Mapping Agency Reston Center in Virginia, was recently elected to a four-year term as president of the Commission on Cartography of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) at PAIGH's 15th General Assembly in San Jose, Costa Rica in November 1993.



Paul L. Peeler '58

'63

Dr. **HORACE A. JUDSON** has been appointed the ninth president of the State University of New York (SUNY) Plattsburgh, effective January 10, 1994. Formerly, Dr. Judson served as Dean, Provost, and Academic Vice President at California State University at Stanislaus and, for seventeen years, at Morgan State University in Baltimore, Maryland as a professor of chemistry, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Department Chair, and Associate Dean.

'66

After serving ten and a half years as President of Johnson C. Smith University, **Dr. ROBERT L. ALBRIGHT** has resigned. Dr. Albright left the 127-year-old historically Black University to become an executive vice president of the Educational Testing Service in Princeton, New Jersey. Dr. Albright is quoted in the January 27, 1994 issue of *Black Issues in Higher Education*: "This was a very painful decision because I frankly had not considered leaving Johnson C. Smith. I simply felt that I could do more for a larger segment of society—which often is forgotten and neglected—on ETS's platform than at Johnson C. Smith."

'70

GORDON J. LINTON was sworn in as Administrator of the Federal Transit Administration on August 20, 1993, in Washington, D.C. The agency is responsible for the federal government's transit assistance programs. Mr. Linton had served six terms as Representative of the 200th Legislative District of Pennsylvania. Elected to office in 1982, he guided into law legislation that created a \$5 million revolving loan fund for minority businesses; established the Office of Minority and Women-owned

Businesses; and reformed and reestablished the Civil Service Commission, the Historic and Museum Commission, and the Athletic Commission.

'72

New Jersey poet/educator/orator **TED GANGES** who has been in several programs at Lincoln, was featured in the June 24th, 1993 issue of the *Irvington Herald*. His latest book is *A Nickel Bag of Hope for America*, Volume II.

'74

Dr. **EDWARD L. VAUGHN, SR.** has been named Vice President for Fiscal Affairs at Jarvis Christian College in Hawkins, Texas. Shortly after taking office, he was inducted into the Southern Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators Hall of Fame in recognition of his outstanding achievement.

'81

DONNA MARIE BROWN-Roberts received a Master of Public Administration degree in May, 1993 from the Barney School of Business and Public Administration at the University of Hartford in Connecticut.

JAMES DAVIS Esq., in a published opinion, has recently been successful in establishing Federal precedent pertaining to the proper forum in which suits involving savings and loan crisis legislation must be litigated.

TONY PRESSLEY has been promoted to field property supervisor for the Prudential Property and Casualty Insurance Company. He is responsible for all claims in the New Orleans, Louisiana area.

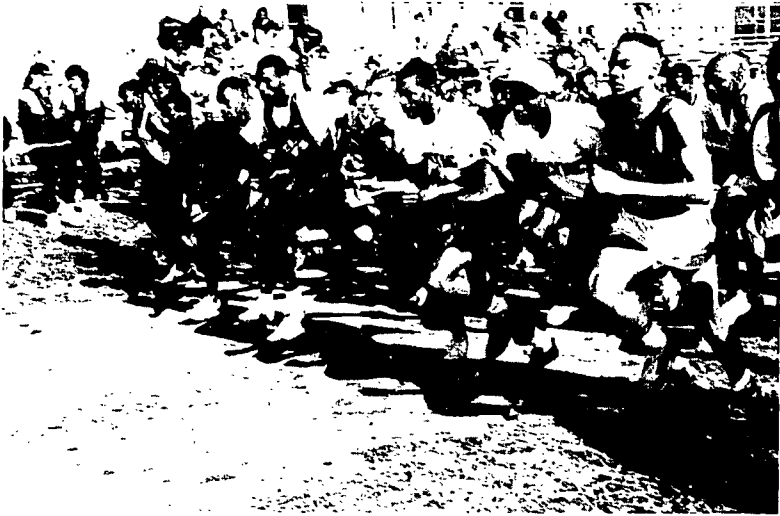
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REGINALD L. BROWN's cleaning company, Brown Services Inc., was featured in the October, 1993 issue of *Black Enterprise*. The article reported Brown's rapid increase in revenue, from \$250,000 in 1991 to over \$300,000 in 1992.

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Class Notes Contributions Welcome

Lincoln Alumni/ae are invited to submit news of their recent accomplishments, employment changes, new endeavors, marriages, etc., for inclusion in *Class Notes*. Please send to the Lincoln Lion, Office to Public Relations, Lincoln University, Lincoln University, PA 19352.



Scenes from Homecoming '93





Class Notes

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'87

BRIAN HUNTER and **MADONNA MARRYSHOW** were married on July 17, 1993 in Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Brooklyn, New York. A reception was held at the Terrace on the Park in Queens. Now residing in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Mr. Hunter is a senior programmer analyst with Independence Blue Cross and Mrs. Hunter is pursuing a career in nursing.

'88

Federal employee GS-12 **DWIGHT K. DANIELS** recently received a Letter of Commendation for "consistently performing his demanding duties in an exemplary and highly professional manner" while assigned to the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery in Washington, D.C.

'90

ALISA R. DRAYTON received a Master of Science degree in Urban Policy Analysis and Management in May, 1993 from the New School for Social Research of the Graduate School of Management in Urban Policy.

Credos

I entreat the Class of '54 especially and all other Lincoln graduates to observe the following:

The Lincoln University Credo

—Welcome them, destitute and ignorant. Release them enlightened with perspective.

The Lincoln Graduates' Credo

—I pledge time, effort and money, unselfishly, for the sustenance of my Alma Mater to nurture future students, forever.

—Russell H. Carter '54

Note to the Class of 1934: 60th Reunion

Dear Classmates:

I'm counting on you to help me take the Class of 1934 over the \$100,000 mark at our 60th class reunion on Saturday, April 30. We are at about \$90,000 in contributions over the years, and we can be the first class to hit that mark.

Please call me at my office (215-932-8300, Ext. 214) or at my home (215-932-2013) when you read this to let me know if I can expect your support.

Alfred H. Farrell

In Memoriam

'31

Dr. GEORGE WILLIAM HUNTER, a former dean of arts and science at South Carolina State University, died on August 3, 1993. Holder of a master's degree from Columbia and Ph.D. from Pennsylvania State University, Dr. Hunter also taught at Texas College; Prairie View State College; Maryland State College, where he chaired the Chemistry Department; and North Carolina A&T.

'32

USAF Reserves Major (Ret.) **ULYSSES WILLIAM EARLE**, 84, died on August 6, 1993. A veteran of World War II and liaison officer for the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, CO, he worked for forty-two years as a social worker for the City of New York and was active in Cub Scouting.

RUSSELL LEE NELSON, A World War II Veteran of the Army Medic Tank Division, died in November, 1993. He was employed at the Veteran's Administration, Philadelphia; the Philadelphia Board of Education and O.I.C., where he taught mathematics; and the Haverford Post Office, from which he retired in 1980. Active for many years in the Zion Baptist Church and a past Democratic Committeeman, he was a member of numerous organizations.

'33

ISAIAH M. HARRISON, retired executive director of the Dunbar Center in Syracuse, NY, died on December 13, 1992, at the age of 86. Deacon and treasurer of Bethany Baptist Church, Mr. Harrison was especially honored in 1971 when more than 1,500 people attended the "Ike Harrison Day" banquet in Syracuse.

'39

WILLIE H. ROARK died in November 1993. A veteran of World War II, Mr. Roark was a caseworker for the New York City Human Resources Administration until retiring in 1983. Survivors include his wife Eleanor and four sons Richard, David, Leslie, and Wendell.

'41

JOHN FRANKLIN WALLS died at the age of 74. A lifelong South Camden resident and the first black captain of Camden High School's basketball team, Mr. Walls founded an annual Fourth of July picnic at the Cooper River Park gazebo that attracted two hundred people last year. He was a boilermaker for twenty-five years at the New York Shipbuilding Corporation in Camden and for twenty-one years at the Philadelphia Naval Shipyard.

'48

ROBERT OWEN HAWKINS, 70, a retired colonel in the Army Medical Service Corps where he was a social worker and helped develop programs to assist military families, died of a heart attack February 2, 1994 at his home in Silver Spring, Maryland. In 1951, he became the first African American to be awarded a master's degree in psychiatric social work from Catholic University in Washington, D.C. In 1958, he completed a master's degree in psychiatric therapy and research at the same institution. Colonel Hawkins served as Chief of Psychiatric Social Work Services in the U.S. and abroad. He planned the first European Psychiatric Conference for all allied services and allies in Germany. As Chief of Social Work Service in Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, he directed social work consultation to POW-MIA families and established a racial harmony council.

Lion May Move to New Format

Support a change to a magazine format by placing an advertisement.

Rates:

quarter-page: \$400;

half-page: \$600;

full-page: \$800.

The Lincoln Lion reaches over 8000 Lincoln Alumni/ae.

Note to the Class of 1989: \$5,000 Goal

Dear Class of 1989,

I would like to take this moment to tell you that it is my honor to serve as your class agent. And although you have not heard from any of our representatives in a while, we have been hard at work forging on with the legacy of the class of 1989. Suffice it to say, there are many things that you need to be informed of.

First of all, we are working diligently on finally getting the yearbook completed and in your hands. I understand that this has been a major concern of many of you and I assure you that every effort is being made to complete this monumental task. The yearbook committee has asked me to request pictures of you and anyone else that you would like to see in your yearbook.

Please send photos c/o Mr. David Brown (Editor), 6030 Pine Street,

Philadelphia, PA 19143. Be sure to note the names of the people pictured, what is happening, and when & where the picture was taken. Any questions can be posed directly to David by calling 215-472-2731. Please be sure to affix the proper postage. All pictures sent should be considered nonreturnable.

And now, I am proud to formally announce that plans are underway for our fifth-year reunion. All activities are being scheduled to coincide with the 1994 Commencement exercises Friday, April 29th through Sunday, May 1st. This event is of great importance to all of us and I am encouraging everyone wishing to attend to make preparations now. Remember, this once-in-a-lifetime occurrence is fast approaching. Details of scheduled events will be disclosed by mail.

Do not hesitate to call the Alumni Relations Office at 215-932-8300 Ext.

429 if you think that there is a chance that we may not have your current address as we continue the process of updating our records.

Finally, as many of you already know, our class will be making a formal monetary gift to the University during our reunion activities. I am asking every class member to do his and her part to help us to reach our goal of \$5,000. Remember, what matters is that you give and not what you give. If you consider that we have more than 167 class members, we should be able to reach our goal with minimal strain on anyone's budget. Please give whatever you can. Monies should be sent to the Lincoln University Development Office, c/o the Class of 1989, Lincoln University, PA 19352. Thank you in advance for your support!!

Jeffrey B. Cooke
Class Agent
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Note to the Class of 1974: 20th Reunion

It has been almost twenty years since we graduated from Lincoln, and although we have gone on in our lives, nothing can parallel our times there. The lessons learned (not necessarily in the classroom) have been the foundation for our successes.

I would like to encourage you to attend the 1994 commencement exercises April 29 through May 1, 1994 on campus to celebrate our 20th anniversary. In celebrating what Lincoln has done for us, I challenge you to make a contribution to our Alma Mater for every year since our graduation so that other young brothers and sisters may have the opportunity to

build the foundation necessary for future success.

Bill Barber and I will be trying to contact each of you over the next few months. Please assist us by passing the word around to other class members and encouraging them to attend.

If you would like to be of assistance, please contact me at 301-559-5471 after 5:30 p.m. or Bill Barber at 919-852-9806. Lyoyd Asparagus at Lincoln has also agreed to be of assistance. He can be reached at 215-932-8300, Ext. 6193.

I look forward to seeing you at the 1994 Lincoln commencement.

Bennie Turner '74

Note to the Class of 1959: Let's Keep on Trucking

by William L. Eichelberger '59

As a result of October and November 1993 mailings I made to members of the Class of 1959, I received a splendid letter dated November 20 from one of my classmates in California. In his missive, he said, "I will be submitting a check to Lincoln for \$500 on or about the end of the month with a matching grant from my employer . . . which will total \$1,000." In the last paragraph of his letter, he added, "I can't for the life of me remember who you are, but 'Keep on Trucking,' because this is a marvelous gesture."

I was elated with this response to my call to my classmates to raise \$35,000 as a 35th reunion gift from the Class of 1959 to our Alma Mater. However, I got a big chuckle from my classmate's puzzlement regarding who I am. Perhaps many others in the Class of 1959 share a similar perplexity. They don't know who I am.

Let me offer a bit of background information. I entered Lincoln in February 1958 as an advance junior transfer student. This means that I spent only three semesters on campus. Most of my collegiate work prior to Lincoln was pursued at the University of Maryland in Europe and Asia while serving as a career army officer in the European and Pacific theaters.

Prior to attending Lincoln University, I had heard many interesting stories about the school from a former army buddy Theophilus A. Logan '39 with whom I served in Europe. He told me great things about Lincoln the sterling quality of the faculty, the exploits of the students, the school's concern with excellence, and

the historical importance of the University in liberating the minds and creatively challenging the imaginations of many young men and women from the U.S., Africa, the Caribbean, Asia, and South America.

When I received a divine call to leave the profession of arms and enter the ministry, I chose Lincoln as the place to continue my education. The three semesters at Lincoln changed my life forever. I was challenged and befriended by the faculty and became good friends with a number of students. I was inspired and encouraged by Professors Farrell, Cornwell, Murray, Newton Hill, Stevens, Thomas Jones, Elizabeth Beardsley, Paul Kuehner, Deans McCrae and Johnson, Mrs. Gladys Renwick, and others.

My friend Theophilus was right. I found something extraordinary at Lincoln. I can never pay back to the University the real value of the education and inspiration I received during my brief tenure there; however, I can continue to share my financial resources with Lincoln for the benefit of students who will be equipped there to make distinguished and ingenious contributions in contemporary and future arenas of our world.

I challenge and encourage the members of the Class of 1959 to raise \$35,000 for the 1994 class reunion and gather in great numbers at Lincoln for celebration, fellowship, and sharing on April 30 and May 1, 1994. For those of my classmates who do not know me, let's get acquainted and "keep on trucking."

Uncle's Praise of Lincoln Leads to a Family Tradition



Alumni Sons and Parents (center, front row) Rev. Thomas O. Mills, Sr. and his wife Marguerite, parents to five Lincoln alumni: (clockwise, from left) Dr. C. Norris Mills, D.P.M.; Bunyan A. Mills, II; Dr. Thomas O. Mills, Jr., M.D.; the late Rev. Judson C. Mills, esq.; and Don C. Mills, esq.

Six Mills family members, representing two generations, have attended Lincoln University. The tradition began when Bunyan A. Mills '38, recommended that his five nephews attend Lincoln. The retired postal service employee who now lives in Baltimore attested to Lincoln's diversity and great curriculum, and the young men about to finish high school wanted to attend. The first nephew to follow in his uncle's footsteps was Dr. Thomas O. Mills, Jr. He graduated in 1957 and is now a pathologist in Vermont. Next came brother Bunyan A. Mills, II '59. He is an educational administrator living in Salem, New Jersey. Judson C. Mills '60 was a Salisbury, Maryland lawyer with a Ph.D. in theology. He died in 1988. Dr. Clarence Norris Mills '62 is a podiatric surgeon living in Baltimore.

Don C. Mills, the youngest of the brothers, completed the academic tradition in the late 1960's. He now practices law in the Virgin Islands.

Dr. Clarence Mills credits his parents with all his brothers attending college. His father, Rev. Thomas O. Mills, was a Baptist minister near Charleston, South Carolina, and his mother taught school for forty years. "My parents both put a high value on education. They gave us the support we needed to complete our studies."

Why did they all decide on Lincoln? "We knew we wanted to attend an African American school, and we liked the diversity of students at Lincoln," said Clarence. "It was well-known for its pre-med and pre-law programs. We had attended segregated schools in the South and we wanted to get out—to get more freedom."

Central Jersey Alumni Association Chartered

The Central Jersey Alumni Association of Lincoln University was chartered on October 10, 1993, at a program held at Plainfield Public Library in Plainfield, New Jersey.

President Niara Sudarkasa was present for the occasion and gave greetings. A painting of the late Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall '30 was dedicated by Superior Court Judge Rudolph N. Hawkins Jr. '57; unveiling was by Alonzo Adams. A Mayor's

Proclamation was read, as was a letter from New York Superior Court Justice Bruce Wright '42.

The chartering was conducted by Dr. Alfred Farrell '34, Professor Emeritus of English and Assistant Secretary of the Alumni Association. Other participants included Carol P. Anderson '68, Opening; Dr. Leonard Bethel '61, Invocation; and vocal soloist Veronica B. Bethel accompanied by Roland Jones.

A Nickel Bag of Hope For America, Volume II

by Poet Ted Ganges '72

THE FOUR SHADES OF ALPHA POEM (the alpha acrostic poem/19 august 1990/washington/d.c.)

PART. I.

(Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority was founded in 1908 at howard university. Now watch me spell Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority in this acrostic poem) . . .

BLACK & GOLD/PINK & GREEN
THE FOUR SHADES OF ALPHA
DO YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN???

Alpha/artistic/attractive/astronomical/african/americans
Leaves/leaves/laudatory/laureate/legislators/legs/lawyers/leotards
Pens/paintings/poetry/playbills/paralegal/parents/parades
Howard/howard/historical/high spirited hymns/hallelujah
Academic/algebra/accumulative/attractive/alpha/average.

Kappa/kaleidoscopic/keepsakes/keynotes/kinships
Actresses/authors/achievements/attendance/attitude/african/attire
Pink/pink/perfumed/pageantry/photogenic/postgraduate/playgirls
Parliamentarian/professors/prayers/praise/aka preachers
Active/acute/adamant/admirable/autonomously/alpha

Alpha/astute/adorable/agreeable/adventurous/american/africans
Leaders/lectures/legendary/ladies/laughter/loving
Picturesque/paradise/paramount/pan-american/people
Humanitarian/heroines/hostess/housewives/hairdos
Assertive/aesthetics/aggregated/ageless/alpha/association.

BLACK & GOLD/PINK & GREEN
THE FOUR SHADES OF ALPHA
DO YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN???

PART II.

(Alpha Phi Fraternity was founded in 1906 at cornell university. Now watch me spell alpha phi alpha fraternity in this acrostic poem) . . .

Alpha/academic/athletic/artistic/attractive/african/americans
Learned/legacy/lawmakers/lovers/light/light/alpha light
Paraphernalia/pillows/paddles/pens/pennants/playboys/parades
Handshakes/healthy/hallelujah/happenings/hip hop happenings
Autobiographical/attorneys/architects/audacious/alpha/adonis

Phi/poets/priest/prophets/printers/playwrights/pacifists/philosopher/pharmacists
Honorable/handsome/heroes/heavy/howard hipsters
Intelligent/intellectuals/idealist/industrious/intercontinental

Alpha/alumnae/amalgamated/african/american/advantage
Laudable/loyal/literate/luxurious/lively/lifers from lincoln
Pastors/priests/professors/provost/pinstriped/peacemakers/pacemakers
Harmonious alpha hymns/historical/hallmarked halfbacks at hampton
Awesome/authoritarian/authentic/authors/alpha/administrators

BLACK & GOLD/PINK & GREEN
THE FOUR SHADES OF ALPHA
NOW DO YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN???

James Ronald Derry '30 Willed His Langston Hughes '29 Collection to Lincoln University

Lincoln University has received the Langston Hughes/James Ronald Derry Collection. The collection consists of a variety of signed writings by poet Langston Hughes, which include twenty-six letters, postcards, articles, photographs, and phonorecords. In addition, there are eighteen articles by or about Hughes and two carbon copies of the manuscripts, "Big Sea" and "Front Porch." Also included is a small

collection of material pertinent to African American history. Among these are references of Dr. Nnamdi Azikiwe, Nigeria's first president.

James Ronald Derry, who graduated from Lincoln in 1930, was a close friend of Langston Hughes, Lincoln '29 and Dr. Nnamdi Azikiwe, Lincoln '30. Derry is mentioned in several of Hughes' biographies. The collection was established by Consuela

Scott, sister-in-law to Derry. In his will, Derry requested that Lincoln University be given his Hughes Collection. The collection is valued at \$12,000.

Through Scott's estate, a trust fund valued at \$190,000 will be established for the collection's organization, maintenance, promotion, and use. The collection will be housed in Special Collections of the Langston Hughes

Memorial Library at Lincoln University.

The Langston Hughes/James Ronald Derry Memorial Collection is a natural complement to Lincoln University's literary and historical holdings and will be a valuable resource for researchers worldwide.

Lincoln Starts Drive to Endow Chair in Honor of Nnamdi Azikiwe '30

Lincoln University has launched a project to honor The Right Honorable Dr. Nnamdi Azikiwe '30, Owelle of Onitsha, and the first President of Nigeria. Specifically, Lincoln is establishing the Nnamdi Azikiwe Distinguished Professorship and Chair in International Affairs. By endowing the Chair, Lincoln will honor one of Lincoln's greatest sons, and one of the political giants of the 20th century.

A number of activities are planned in tribute to Dr. Azikiwe. On Friday, April 29, the University will hold a

Conference honoring his contributions to Nigerian liberation and Pan-African thought as a journalist, politician, statesman, and educator. On the evening of April 29th, the University will hold a gala benefit dinner dance at which Dr. Azikiwe will be the guest of honor. If you wish to contribute to the professorship in Dr. Azikiwe's honor, please make your check or money order payable to Lincoln University, with a note designating the funds "For the Azikiwe Endowed Chair.

Doctoral Programs *(continued from page 1)*

used to attend Lincoln convocations, collecting autographs from Sonia Sanches, Nikki Giovanni, Yolanda DeBoise, and Maya Angelou. "I didn't apply elsewhere; I always knew I was going to Lincoln."

Lenetta works in Oxford, Pennsylvania as a transitional first grade teacher with a class of twelve developmentally delayed students. Her expertise is in teaching people how to read. "Reading can take you anywhere in the world; it helps your dreams to come true." Reading also provides "the historical relevancy that we need to learn to help us become historically literate," according to Ms. Lee. "Reading empowers."

Her dissertation will study children's literature. "The problem

with children's literature for African Americans is that it mirrored the dominant society, and included African American caricatures." Ms. Lee finds the omission of African Americans even more damaging than the stereotyping. She hopes that her academic work will encourage more authors to "look at the Afrocentric paradigm and start to write children's literature through African eyes, so that the children and the culture become subjects not objects and we begin to have some agency." Ms. Lee will travel to Africa in 1994 with Molefi Kete Asante, Professor and Chair of the Department of African Studies at Temple University who spoke in February at the convocation of Black History Month at Lincoln.

Graduate Discovers Lincoln Roots



Antoinette Terri Wallace '81

Antoinette Terri Wallace, who graduated from Lincoln with a B.S. in Political Science in 1981, worked for her Alma Mater for nine years as a Resident Director/Counselor before she found out that she was not the first member of her family to attend Lincoln. "I got really excited when I found out that I had roots here," exclaimed Antoinette when she found out that her father's mother's father, Ernest F. Showell, entered Lincoln in the fall of 1912, graduating with honors in 1915. "I was tickled to find out that he graduated in three years with high honors." "Now that I came back to Lincoln, I don't want to go back to the city now. I feel that this is my home."

"I'm sorry that I missed my great-grandfather's life, but after reading the article, I feel that I know him." The

article that Antoinette's grandmother sent her spoke of how earnest Ernest Showell was. During a stormy discussion when he was a freshman, even though surrounded by seniors, he said "Gentlemen, in spite of the fact that we are students, yet we must not forget we are about our Father's business and now, as at all times, we must act, do, and say things only in the Jesus way." One week before he died, he told Flitchy H. Quinn "You told me not to continue to preach and work so hard, but I just could not stop my Master's work. I have lived, worked, and loved the best I knew." In what is clearly not a 9 to 5 job, Antoinette Wallace works as hard serving Lincoln's freshmen women as her great grandfather worked in his ministry so long ago.



Ernest F. Showell '15

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Wesley T. Moon
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Emmett Palmer

Yearbooks Needed

Special Collections librarian Ruth Hunter and archivist Khalil Mahmud are enlisting the help of alumni in completing the Archive's collection of yearbooks. The years needed are 1902-22, 1924-27, 1932-34, 1936, 1944, and 1966.

If anyone can supply one of these yearbooks or can give information indicating the lack of publication for any of the above years, please contact Mr. Khalil Mahmud, Archivist, Langston Hughes Memorial Library, Lincoln University, Lincoln University, PA 19352. Your help will be much appreciated.

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Ladies Auxiliary Holds Fashion Show

The Philadelphia Chapter of the Ladies Auxiliary of Lincoln University held a Sans Appelle Fashion Show and Luncheon on December 4, 1993 at Pinn Memorial Baptist Church.

Participants included Chapter President Dorothy Norman, Greetings; former scholarship recipient Theodore Stevenson, soloist; Sheila G. Johnson, accompanist; Chapter Chaplain Bernice Pree, Prayer; Margaret Burris, Introduction of Fashion Coordinator; Margaret Alford and Betty Rivers, Door Prizes and Raffles; and

Chairperson Sandra Saunders, Closing Remarks.

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Commencement 1994 Schedule of Activities

April 28-May 1, 1994

Thursday, April 28

1:30-5:30 p.m. Conference Registration
7:30-10:30 p.m. Evening of Music and Dance

Friday, April 29

10 a.m.-4 p.m. Conference Honoring the Rt. Hon. Dr. Nnamdi Azikiwe '30
John Miller Dickey Hall
Conference Information:
Prof. Emery Wimbish, (215) 932-8300, ext. 261

7 p.m.-12 a.m. Gala Benefit Dinner Dance

Mannuel Rivero Hall

Dinner Information & Tickets:
Dr. Charles Edington, (215) 932-8300, ext. 221/222

Saturday, April 30

9:30 a.m. General Alumni Association Council Meeting
10 a.m. National Ladies Auxiliary Annual Meeting
10 a.m.-12 noon Friends of the Library Open House
11 a.m. 50th Class Reunion of 1944, Brunch with the President
1:30-3:30 p.m. General Alumni Association Annual Meeting
4 p.m. Concert Choir
5-6:30 p.m. Reunion Class Pictures
6:30 p.m. Alumni Annual Banquet
9:30 p.m. Class Reunions and Graduates, Alumni "Get Together"

COMMENCEMENT DAY, Sunday, May 1

10 a.m. The Baccalaureate Service
2:30 p.m. The Commencement Exercise
4:30 p.m. Reception for Graduates and Guests of the University

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