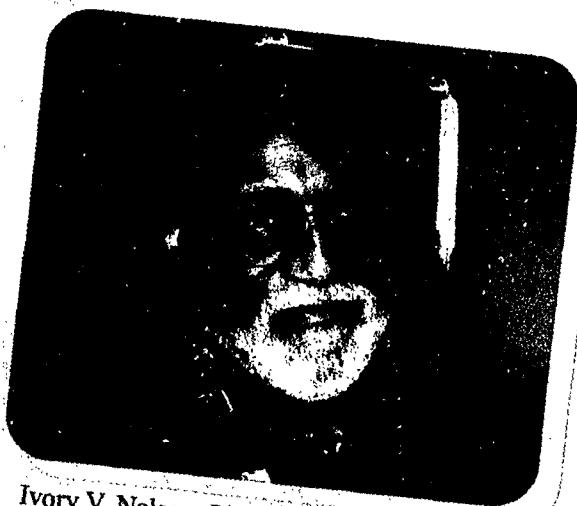


Lincoln Lion



While we were away...



Ivory V. Nelson, Ph.D., is inaugurated as Lincoln's 12th president.



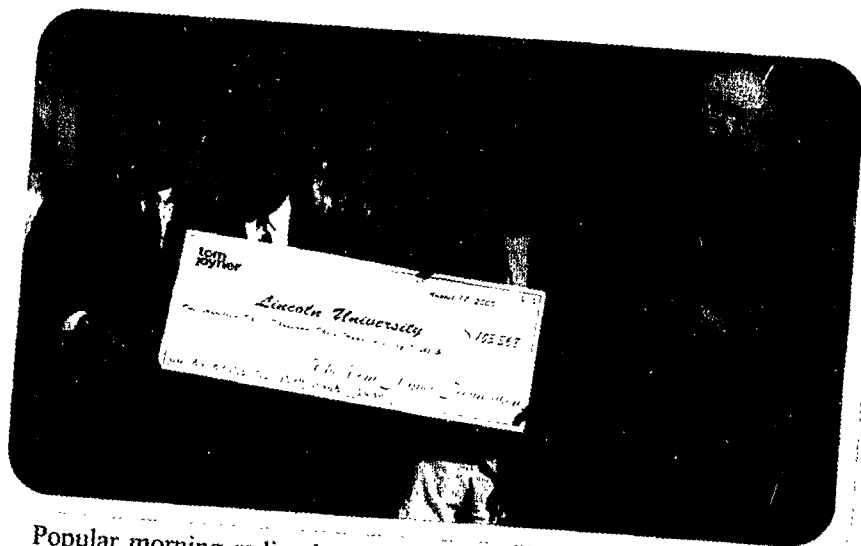
Sharlene V. Roberson '80 (left) chats with other alumna and friends at the Annual Alumni campus cookout in July.



Members of the Class of 1950 proudly wear their 50-Year Emeritus Alumni Medallions.



Foursome capture First Place in the 4th Annual Lincoln Alumni Golf Classic.



Popular morning radio show host Tom Joyner (far right) presents a check to Lincoln University for student scholarships.

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Message from the University President

Positioning Lincoln University for the Future

Lincoln University is the newest of the state related universities, having joined the Commonwealth System of Higher Education in 1972. Lincoln University, founded in 1854 by a Presbyterian minister as Ashmun Institute, is also the oldest Historically Black College in the nation. Modeled on Princeton University, Lincoln University has educated an impressive list of African American luminaries who have distinguished themselves as doctors, lawyers, educators, business persons, theologians and heads of states.

As Lincoln University approaches its sesquicentennial in 2004 it recognizes and understands that higher education is changing, and it has to be a part of the change while maintaining a dedication to its primary mission. Minority, non-traditional and part-time student enrollment is increasing in higher education. New information and technologies are accelerating change causing current technologies to become obsolete in less than three years. The composition of the university's future student body will be radically different than it was just a decade ago in three significant ways.

- (1) The average age of students coming to Lincoln will rise.
- (2) The preparation gap of entering students will continue to widen, and
- (3) The ratio of females to male students will increase.

Competition to attract the best students to Lincoln is universal. Competition continues to increase while support from federal agencies continues to shrink. This is also true for the philanthropic dollar. Competition for faculty now focuses on markets which places differential values on different skills and abilities.

The demands for educational accountability become more intense by the day. This accountability reaches well beyond finances. Higher admission standards, better outcome assessment, improved graduation

rates, increased faculty productivity, workforce preparation and the shifting of the burden of payment for higher education away from publicly funded programs toward the students and parents have become the accountability standards for all of higher education including Lincoln University. Recognizing the external and internal changes, the University adopted a vision statement for the future that states:

Lincoln University is a premier, Historically Black University that combines the best elements of a liberal arts and science based undergraduate core curriculum and selected graduate programs to meet the needs of those living in a highly technological and global society.

President Ivory V. Nelson



Academic Affairs

- *Consolidated admissions and recruitment under one administrative structure*
- *Developed the University's operational and capital budget using the cost center approach of budgeting*
- *Delegated authority and responsibility to vice presidents and academic deans*
- *Created a University Policy Procedures Manual and codified new management*

In this new competitive environment Lincoln University during the period August 14, 1999 to June 30, 2000 began its strategic planning process of reexamination and positioning and the Board of Trustees on April 15, 2000 adopted the following:

- *A revised set of By-Laws for Board of Trustees*
- *A revised set of faculty By-Laws*
- *A revised set of Faculty Promotion and Tenure Guidelines*
- *An academic structure creating three academic schools headed by Deans*
- *Updated Mission Statement, Vision Statement, Philosophy Statements and a set of operational University Goals*

The President's Cabinet in its strategic planning process of reexamination and positioning the University initiated the following:

- *Created an Academic Affairs Council reporting to the Vice President for*

policies and procedures

- *Established written job descriptions for all positions at the University*
- *Introduced a new performance evaluation system for staff and administrative employees*
- *Opened channels of communication by providing minutes of the President's Cabinet meetings on the University's web page*
- *Implemented programs to correct audit deficiencies identified at the University*
- *Restructured the Human Resources Office to play a proactive role in all employment decisions at the University.*

The University will continue the refinement and implementation of its strategic planning process for the 2000-2001 academic year with the goal of producing a "University" Strategic Plan by May 2001.

pen Letter to Alumni

Dear Alumnus/-na:

We have been challenged!

The Board of Trustees — under the leadership of Mrs. Adrienne Gray Rhone '76 — and Dr. Ivory V. Nelson, President of our illustrious institution, have offered a challenge to the alumni of Lincoln University. Chairwoman Rhone used the initials from a famous black enterprise clothing company, "FUBU," For Us By Us, to state that now is the time for Lincoln alumni to think FUBU! There are many avenues that we as alumni can pursue to help our Alma Mater. We must learn from the past experiences that our dear Lincoln has sweltered through.

We must now move forward and bring forth the ideas and ideals of what a true

Lincoln education means to us now and in the future. First and foremost, technology is everywhere. Lincoln needs to keep pace with what's going on in the field and we must help with our own expertise and financial support.

The Council of the Alumni Association met this summer to strategize and make plans for "our" part in FUBU; and with your help we can make a difference.

In addition, we are encouraging alumni to pay dues of \$35.00 or join the ranks of those who are Life Members. Life membership is \$500.00, payable over a period of five years. The regular dues-paying members help the Association realize goals set by the Council to support you as alumni of the University.

Moreover, we are proud to announce that the Association has a new chapter, the Graduate Chapter to the Alumni Association. This is a new level of commitment and involvement of alumni. We are looking for great things from the graduate-level degree holders of Lincoln University.

Also, we offer our congratulations to Dr. Len Bethel '61 on his re-election to the Lincoln University Board of Trustees for a term ending 2004. We wish Dr. Bethel well on his second term and that he may continue to uphold the true traditions of Lincoln University and help move us into



Bruce M. Benson '75 (left), Executive Secretary of the Alumni Association, relaxes at the July 15, 2000 campus cookout with (L to R): Tracey Hunter Hayes '87, Director of Alumni Relations, University President Ivory V. Nelson and William Scott '51, the Alumni Association's President.

the 21st century.

The Officers also thank all alumni for supporting our efforts and programs this past year. As we look toward working for you into the next year, we urge you to keep the true Lincoln spirit and support our Alma Mater and the Alumni Association.

Constant and true.....we remain,

Sincerely yours,

William Scott '51
Association President

Bruce M. Benson '75
Executive Secretary

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Jefferson J. Jones '55

President Ivory V. Nelson and Board of Trustees' chair Adrienne Rhone '76 present awards to three of the seven recipients at the April 15, 2000 Inaugural Gala and Founder's Day Banquet. *See page 7.*

A Look Back

Lincoln Inaugurates Ivory V. Nelson, Ph.D. as University's 12th President

Campus Celebrates Inauguration and Founder's Day With Week of Special Events

Dr. Ivory V. Nelson, who has achieved a national reputation for his distinguished leadership in higher education, including as president of Central Washington University, and is listed among the world's top scientists, was inaugurated as the twelfth president in the 146-year history of Lincoln University on April 14, 2000.

Dr. Nelson was selected to become president of the University after an extensive national search. He assumed his duties August 15, 1999.

On the occasion of Dr. Nelson's inauguration and Founder's Day, which is observed annually in April, the University commemorated these two significant events with a week of special activities entitled *Beyond the 'Millennium': A Celebration for Lincoln in 2000*.

Hundreds of guests, including many representing academia, public and private corporations and organizations, federal, state and local governments attended the inaugural ceremony for President Nelson.



Cheyney University President W. Clinton Pettus (right) prepares to speak at the inauguration of President Ivory V. Nelson. He waits with Lincoln alumni (L to R) Dr. Frank Coleman '35 and Rev. Canon Thomas W.S. Logan '35.

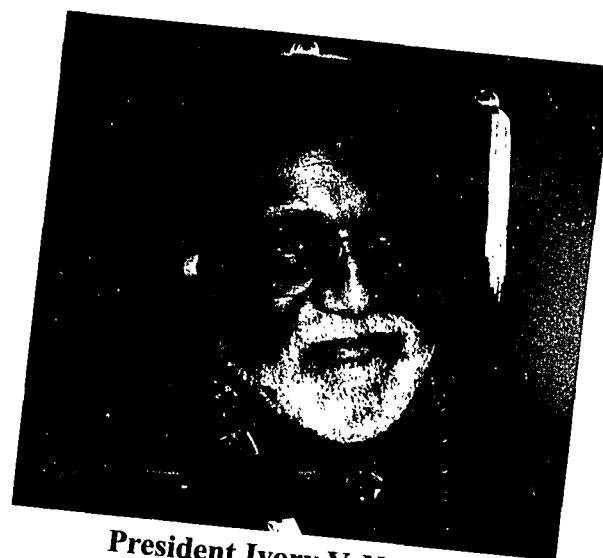
Before coming to Lincoln, Dr. Nelson served as the president of Central Washington University (CWU) for more than seven years. Dr. Nelson has a record of active community involvement throughout his 30-plus years in higher education. He served on the board of directors of Key Bank of Washington and was a member of the Washington State Commission on Student Learning, by gubernatorial appointment. He also was a member of the Governor's Blue Ribbon Task Force on the Arts, State of Washington.

Dr. Nelson's career in higher education includes receiving the Fulbright Lectureship, teaching graduate and undergraduate chemistry, and serving as department head, assistant dean of academic affairs, and vice president for research. During the early 1980s, Dr. Nelson also served one year as acting president of Prairie View A&M University and three years as executive assistant to the chancellor of the Texas A&M University System. From 1986 to March 1992, he served as chancellor of the Alamo Community College District, San Antonio, Texas.

While at the University of Kansas, Dr. Nelson's academic honors included induction into Phi Beta Kappa honorary society, Phi Lambda Upsilon honorary chemical society and the society of Sigma Xi for scientists. He has subsequently been inducted into Kappa Delta Phi education honor society, Phi Kappa Phi and Sigma Phi Sigma physics honor society.

Dr. Nelson has authored eleven technical publications in the field of analytical chemistry, a chapter in one book and a chapter in a monograph. He has secured extensive outside funding through grants and proposal writing. In addition, he has acquired significant funding from state legislatures to construct major academic facilities. His career in the corporate sector includes assignments as a research chemist for both Union Carbide and American Oil Company.

Dr. Nelson has been listed among the world's top scientists in a newly released



President Ivory V. Nelson

book entitled, *Distinguished African American Scientists of the 20th Century*. The Central Washington University Foundation honored Dr. Nelson by establishing a \$50,000 Ivory V. Nelson endowed Graduate Fellowship in Chemistry, and the Board of Trustees of CWU passed a Resolution in August 1999 conferring on him the title of President Emeritus.

Son of a Methodist minister, Dr. Nelson was born in Curtiss, Louisiana, and grew up in small towns and cities in Mississippi and Louisiana. From sixth grade until graduation from Booker T. Washington High School in May 1951, at the age of 16, he lived in Shreveport, Louisiana.

After graduating from high school, Nelson entered the United States Air Force, where he attained the rank of staff sergeant, working in cryptoanalysis with top-secret cryptographic clearance. In 1955, he entered Grambling State University, Louisiana, where he graduated magna cum laude in January 1959, with a bachelor's degree in secondary education, chemistry. He immediately entered the University of Kansas, Lawrence, where he graduated with the Doctor of Philosophy degree in analytical chemistry with high departmental honors. He is married to Patricia Ann Nelson, Ed.D. They have four adult children.

Tom Joyner Foundation Donates \$103,368 to Fund Student Scholarships at University

The Tom Joyner Foundation, which assists financially strapped students in completing their education at the nation's Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs), has presented Lincoln University with a check for \$103,368 to help fund the University's student scholarship programs.

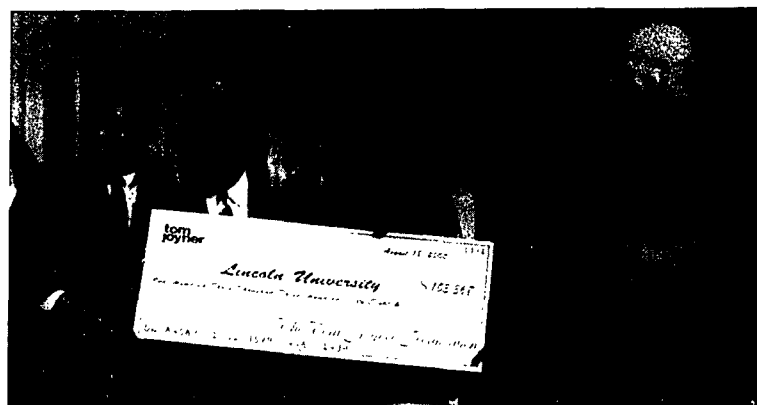
Located in Dallas, Texas, the foundation is named for Tom Joyner, host of the popular "The Tom Joyner Morning Show," the largest syndicated, live, urban radio broadcast in the United States.

Representatives and alumni of Lincoln were presented with the check during a broadcast of the show from Philadelphia on August 18, 2000. The presentation was coordinated by the Division of Development and External Relations.

The foundation awards scholarships to deserving students on a monthly basis as determined by financial need, academic records and the circumstances involving the student's application. Scholarships are available to students currently attending any HBCU. Funds are collected for the foundation through various means, including on-air solicitation.

Each month Joyner, who is billed as the "Fly Jock" and the "Hardest-working Man in Radio," promotes a specific college and encourages listeners to make donations through a specially dedicated telephone service. Sponsors of the show and its affiliated radio stations also conduct additional fund-raising campaigns. Sponsors of The Tom Joyner Morning Show and its affiliated radio stations also conduct additional fund-raising campaigns.

Founded in 1854, Lincoln University was the first institution in the United States chartered to provide a higher education to male youth of African descent. Today, Lincoln is a coeducational, state-related, four-year university. Lincoln is noted as a premier, Historically Black University that combines the best elements of a liberal arts and science-based undergraduate core curriculum, and selected graduate programs to meet the needs of those living in a highly technological and global society.



Popular morning radio show host Tom Joyner (far right) presents a check to Lincoln University alumni for student scholarships. Accepting the generous donation on behalf of the University (left to right) are: Tracey Hunter Hayes '87, director of Alumni Relations; Ray Barnes '50; Vernon Davis '86; Dr. Frank (Tick) Coleman '35. An unidentified member of Joyner's staff applauds the presentation.

Thirty percent of the University's graduating class for the year 2000 achieved degrees in the natural sciences, including biology, chemistry, general science, and physics.

Education in the New Millennium



Pennsylvania Secretary of Education Eugene W. Hickok (left) visited the University on April 10, 2000, to speak on the topic of Education in the New Millennium.

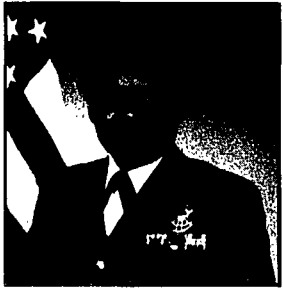
Secretary Hickok's visit and speech began a week of special activities, educational programs, and luncheons on the occasion of the inauguration of Dr. Ivory V. Nelson (right) as the twelfth president in the 146-year history of the University and Founder's Day, which is commemorated in the month of April.



The Fourth Annual Lincoln University Alumni Golf Classic was held August 11, 2000 at the Wyncote Golf Club in Oxford, Pennsylvania. First place winners were (L to R): James Morrison, Walt Livingston, Rhogenes Rogers, James Dixon.

All proceeds from the event benefited the Lincoln University Alumni Golf Classic Scholarship Fund.

Alumni News



LILLIAN E. FISHBURNE '71

Lillian E. Fishburne is the first woman ever promoted to the rank of rear admiral in the U.S. Navy. The United States Senate in February confirmed the promotion of Capt. Fishburne, who graduated from Lincoln in 1971, to rear admiral lower half. Fishburne, who was approved for the post by the Secretary of Defense last year, now wears one star. Fishburne is currently on temporary duty awaiting her assignment in Washington, D.C. After earning her bachelor's degree in sociology from Lincoln, Fishburne later graduated from Webster College in St. Louis with a master's degree in management. Fishburne received a master's in telecommunications-systems management from the Naval Postgraduate School, in Monterey, California. She is also a graduate of the Industrial College of the Armed Forces, in Washington, D.C.

Congratulations to DR. DEMETRIUS PEARSON '75 who has been granted tenure and promoted to associate professor of physical education at the University of Houston. Dr. Pearson, affectionately known to family and friends as "Dee", also presented a paper at the North Central Sociological Association's 75th Anniversary Convention, entitled "Black Rodeo in the Texas Gulf Coast Region."

Dr. Dee has also co-authored several articles appearing in a number of professional journals including Journal of Sports and Social Issues, Journal of Sports Behavior, Journal of American Culture, and Journal of Sport.

He received his master's degree from Case Western Reserve University in education and his doctorate from the University of Houston in physical education. A true son of Lincoln, Dr. Pearson is to be commended for the many successes in the field of education.

University Association Honors Three Alumni For Outstanding Contributions

At the Annual Alumni Awards Banquet, three alumnus received the illustrious Alumni Award from the Association. Award winners were cited for their outstanding contributions to their communities, profession, Lincoln University and the Association.

This year's recipients are:

THE REV. CANON THOMAS W. S. LOGAN '35

The Rev. Canon Thomas W. S. Logan graduated from Lincoln with a bachelor of arts degree in 1935. He also earned a bachelor of sacred theology degree from General Theological Seminary, New York City, New York, in 1938. In 1941, he received a master of sacred theology from Philadelphia Divinity School, in Philadelphia.

Father Logan was ordained as a deacon June 13, 1938 and advanced to the priesthood June 5, 1939 by Bishop Francis Taitt of St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia. Father Logan has pastored or has been affiliated with the following churches during his career in the ministry: St. Phillips, New York; St. Augustine's Chapel, Yonkers, New York; St. Michael and All Angels Church, Philadelphia; and rector of Calvary Church from which he retired.

His religious affiliations include delegate to the Anglican Conference in Cape Town, Africa and Barbados; first vice president of the Black Ministers Conference of Philadelphia; founder and member of the National Conference of Black Episcopalians; and president of the National Church Workers Conference, USA.

Father Logan's fraternal and social affiliations include life member in Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity; past Most Worshipful Master of Price Hall Masons of Pennsylvania; Frontiers International; 33rd Degree Mason; past president of the Tribune Charities; Rafter; and a life member of the NAACP. In addition, he has received several honorary degrees and awards. He has published some of his written works. His involvement in the spiritual life of mankind has taken him to the White House where he prayed with then President Jimmy Carter.



(L to R): The Rev. Canon Thomas W.S. Logan, Dr. Frank (Tick) Coleman and Rev. Dennis R. Fletcher carry their Class of 1935 banner at the 2000 Founder's Day Banquet.



Egbert Hall (left) and Raymond Barnes, Class of 1950, renew their friendship at the 2000 Reunion Weekend.

RAY BARNES '50

Ray Barnes, a 1950 Lincoln graduate, also attended St. United States Defense Personal Support Center for over 14 years. He also has worked for the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission, School district of Philadelphia, and Berean Institute.

His fraternal, civic and religious affiliations include the Philadelphia Chapter of the Lincoln Alumni Association, Wynnefield Residents Association; Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. (life member); trustee and steward board member of Wesley A.M.E. Zion Church and a recent recipient of the National Association for Equal Opportunity Award. He has earned a well-deserved reputation for helping others and offering assistance to those in need. He is a strong supporter of his Alma Mater.

L. PALMER HUNT '40

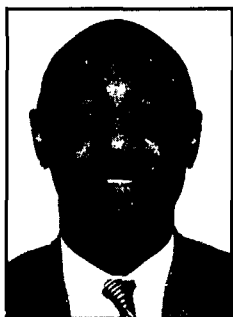
Judge L. Palmer Hunt, class of 1940, served for many years in the court system of the State of Delaware where he distinguished himself as a jurist. Judge Hunt is a staunch supporter of the University as well as the Alumni Association.

Founder's Day 2000

Since 1998, Lincoln has honored some of its most prominent graduates who exemplify the ideals of leadership and service fostered by the University. The following seven graduates were honored at the April 2000 banquet.

JEFFERSON J. JONES '55

Jefferson J. Jones graduated from South High School in Pittsburgh and later Lincoln in 1955. He was a member of the Lincoln Players and the University Glee Club where he traveled up and down the East Coast. He was a biology major and was hired as a biochemistry technician at the Cleveland Clinic where he took part in the isolation and purification of the blood pressure enzyme, angiotensin. He attended dental school at the University of Pittsburgh, then received endodontic specialty training at Letterman General Hospital in San Francisco. He then took a position in the Endodontic Department of the School of Dentistry at Case Western Reserve University. He has served as department chair for the last twenty-five years. Dr. Jones and his wife, Sylvia, have been married for forty-two years. They have two children.



WILLIAM C. KING '73

Since graduating from Lincoln in 1973 with a bachelor of arts degree in political science, William King has served in a number of positions in the public sector, including service with both the federal government and the District of Columbia government in Washington, DC. For the last four years, he has been the Assistant General Counsel for Personnel Law, Office of General Counsel, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). He was recently selected by the Secretary of HUD to direct HUD's equal employment opportunity program. Tenure with the District of Columbia Government included eight years with the Office of Financial Management; ten years with the Office of Personnel (the last position held with that agency was General Counsel/Chief, Office of Policy Standards and Judicial Review); and five years with the Office of the Corporation Counsel as Chief of the Personnel and Labor Relations Section in the Legal Counsel Division.

Besides his Lincoln degree, he holds the degree of Juris Doctor from the Northern Virginia School of Law. He is a member of the District of Columbia Bar, the American Bar Association, the National Bar Association, and the Washington Bar Association. He holds life memberships in the Lincoln University Alumni Association, NAACP, and Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. In addition, he serves as a member and Parliamentarian of the Lincoln University Board of Trustees, he is a member of the Board of Trustees.

DENISE PAGE-BAKER '90

During the pursuit of attaining her bachelor's degree in 1990 in early childhood education at Lincoln, Denise Page-Baker was an active member and president of the Education Club. She received distinctive academic awards such as the Student Teacher Award, Early Childhood Education Award, and recognition in the publication of Who's Who Among America's Students. Page-Baker began her professional career as a second grade teacher at the Ivy Leaf School, in Philadelphia. In February 2000, she was selected for recognition in Who's Who Among America's Teachers. As a result of excelling in her field, she was elevated to lead second grade teacher and eventually promoted to become an educational consultant of the Ivy Leaf School.



KELLEY L. ROBINSON-LINDSAY, MHS '94

In August of this year, Mrs. Lindsay celebrated twenty years of employment with District 1199C Hospital Workers Union. Mrs. Lindsay's strongest asset has been her sensitivity and ability to interact with the union membership. During her tenure with District 1199C, Mrs. Lindsay has become a partner in establishing the tuition-waiver program along with Berean Institute, Peirce College, and Eastern College. She also is employed as a consultant for Urban Health Services, and is the executive office manager with the South Jersey Creative Wellness Center. Mrs. Lindsay is a doctoral intern at Walden University and enrolled in the Professional Psychology Program, counseling specialization. She is active in her community and serves as the treasurer for her neighborhood block committee in Philadelphia. She also served as the secretary for the Alumni Association of Lincoln University, Philadelphia Chapter, from 1998-1999, and recording secretary for Philadelphia's Olney High School Alumni Association.

Lincoln's Rising Stars



PERI MUTEWERA '93

Born in Harare, Zimbabwe, Southern Africa, Peri Mutewera graduated from Lincoln in 1993 with a bachelor of science in biology. She received her doctorate in dental medicine from the University of Pennsylvania and completed her externship at Guys and St. Thomas's Hospital in the United Kingdom. She completed her residency at Albany Medical Center in New York. In 1999, Mutewera was the first black female to receive a full-time faculty appointment at the Johns Hopkins Hospital Department of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery Division of Dental/Oral Medicine and Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. At the age of 28, Dr. Mutewera is one of the youngest full-time faculty members to receive a faculty appointment at the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine.



DONOVON PADGETT '94

Donovon Padgett, class of 1994, with a major in business administration and a minor in Chinese, was among the first cohort of students to participate in the United Negro College Fund's Institute of International Public Policy. It was at this time that Padgett was sent to the Warsaw School of Economics, in Poland, where he analyzed the transformation of the Polish economic and political systems. In 1999, Padgett was selected for an internship with the Department of Agriculture at the American Consulate in Shanghai, Peoples Republic of China. He is fluent in Chinese and eventually hopes to continue to work in internationally related jobs.



VAUGHN J. COLEMAN '94

Vaughn J. Coleman, a personal financial advisor and manager for American Express Financial Advisors, Inc., graduated from Lincoln in 1994 with a bachelor's degree in business administration. In addition to his work at the company, Coleman provides his expertise in financial planning on a program which is broadcasted on the second Saturday of each month on radio station WHAT-1340 AM from 7 to 8:00 p.m. He is a vice president and past president of the Alumni Association of Lincoln University, Philadelphia Chapter.

Some of the Class Reunions from Founder's Day Weekend, April 14 -15, 2000



Class of 1960



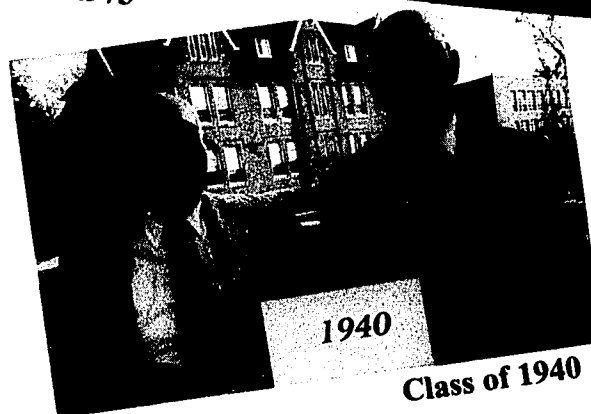
Class of 1985



Class of 1975



Class of 1980



Class of 1940

University Appoints Dr. William B. Bynum, Jr. Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management

Dr. William B. Bynum, Jr., a career student affairs professional who has served as Associate Vice President for Student Affairs and Judicial Administrator for Clark Atlanta University in Georgia, and who held the position of Covington Distinguished Professor of Sociology at Davidson College in North Carolina, is the new Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management for Lincoln University.

At Clark Atlanta University, Dr. Bynum was responsible for the daily operations of the division's 15 departments and units consisting of admissions, career planning and placement, campus ministry, commuter student services, counseling services, cultural affairs, financial aid, international student services, judicial affairs, living and learning center, public safety, residence life, student activities,

student health services, student relations and assistance, and special projects.

In addition, Dr. Bynum served as the enrollment manager for the division and represented the division on university-wide committees and task forces. He also served as the student judicial affairs administrator and the division liaison with academic affairs and enrollment support services. He held the position at Clark Atlanta from 1993 to 1999, before leaving to serve in the endowed visiting faculty position at Davidson College. Previously, he served as Assistant Dean of Students at Davidson from 1985 to 1990.

Dr. Bynum's other professional experiences include research and teaching at Georgia Institute of Technology, Duke University, and Durham Community College. Moreover, he has represented his institutions in numerous external programs and at professional conferences.

He has also authored and presented several papers with academic and social themes. Dr. Bynum's professional memberships include the National Association of Student

Personnel Administrators, American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers, and Association for Student Judicial Affairs.

Dr. Bynum earned his Bachelor of Arts from Davidson College, and Master's and Ph.D. from Duke University, in sociology.



Profile: James (Big Jim) L. Usry '46

Former Mayor of Atlantic City, Educator, Professional Athlete

Educator, politician and professional athlete, James L. Usry '46 gave so much to the people of Atlantic City, New Jersey over the course of his career in the school system that they chose him to become their first Black mayor from 1984 to 1989.

A native of Athen, Georgia, he was chosen to lead during a period of major growth and development in Atlantic City. Mindful of the great disparity between this growth and the lingering socio-economic problems characteristic of urban America, Usry emerged as a model of resourcefulness and strength in serving all of the city's citizens.

Usry, who is currently hospitalized in Atlantic City where he resides with his wife, LaVerne, rose to prominence as a national political leader. In recognition of his many accomplishments, he recently has received many new honors. A day care center now under construction in Atlantic City will bear his name. He also was recently honored for his outstanding basketball career.

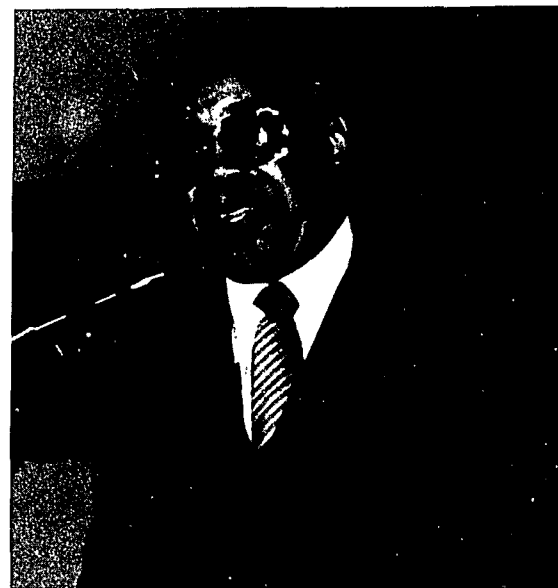
Prior to becoming mayor, he worked as a teacher at Central Jr. High School, principal of the Indiana Avenue School and assistant superintendent of Elementary Services and Affirmative Action Officer for

the Atlantic City Public Schools. He also served on the Parent Advisory Council (chairman), the Juvenile Panel, Executive Board of Harborfields, director of the Association for Community Education, and president of the Atlantic City Administrators Education Association.

Between 1946 and 1951, he played professional basketball with the fabulous New York Renaissance, better known as the Rens. Big Jim became one of the Rens' superstars and remained so until they were sold to the Harlem Globetrotters in 1951. Big Jim then retired. But he stayed close to the game. In 1953, he directed the Arctic Avenue Y.M.C.A. Tournament in which such star players as Wilt Chamberlain, Elgin Baylor, John Chaney, Chink Scott, Sherman White, and Tarzan Spencer participated. In 1956, he coached the Atlantic City Biddy Basketball team to the World's Championship.

Getting more personally involved, Usry captained the Atlantic City Old Timers and led them to the first two league championships. He then was inducted into the National Old Timers Hall of Fame and Lincoln University's Hall of Fame.

Upon becoming mayor, he held the following offices: president of the



National Conference of Black Mayors; Presidential appointee to the National Council on Educational Research and Improvements for the United States Department of Education; and president of the New Jersey Conference of Black Mayors.

He also served as a member of the board of directors of the New Jersey Casino Reinvestment Authority; the board of governors of Rutgers State University; the World Conference of Black Mayors; and the Board of Trustees of Lincoln University. He is now a Lincoln Trustee Emeritus.

Rev. C. Matthew Hudson, Jr. University Chaplain



Pastor C. Matthew Hudson, Jr., of Newark, DE, a self-described "people person" and whose diverse professional background includes the ministry, armed forces, politics, management, and community service, is the new University Chaplain.

Minister Hudson worked as a counselor for the Hospice of the Delaware Valley in Kennett Square, PA, and volunteers as a chaplain and counselor for the Christiana Care Health Services, in Wilmington, DE. In addition, he was an adjunct professor at Springfield College, also in Wilmington. From 1994 to 1999, he served as senior parish pastor in the U.S. Navy.

He earned his doctor of ministry degree in church leadership from Bethel Theological Seminary, St. Paul, MN, in 1999; master of divinity degree in pastoral care counseling from Morehouse College, Atlanta, GA, in 1995; and a bachelor of science degree in maintenance management from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Daytona Beach, FL, in 1989.

Deceased Lincoln Alumni

July 1999- August 2000

The Rev. Dr. Frank Bernard Mitchell, Jr. '29

Dr. John E. Butler '31

Mr. George Clement Taliaferro '49

Mr. Jonas W. Cowles, Sr. '52

Dr. Clarence Leroy Guy, Jr. '56

Dr. Chukweneta Nwokedi '56

Dr. William H. Thompson '56

Mr. Alfred Benjamin Carroll, Jr. '64

Ms. Anita Martin Adkins '79

Ms. Billie Alexis Jackson '97

Mr. Joseph Kenny '55

Mr. Melvin Butler '52

Lincoln University Today

Did you know ... ?

- Thirty percent of the University's graduating class for the year 2000 achieved degrees in the natural sciences, including in biology, chemistry, general science, and physics.
- In 1999, Lincoln successfully recruited 12 National Achievement Scholars as undergraduates from states such as Maryland, Michigan, New York, Ohio, Virginia, and Washington, DC.
- In 1998, student achievement scores hit record levels.
- Lincoln University's reach for the best and brightest students is drawing a new wave of students nationally from East Coast states and other states such as South Carolina, Texas, Georgia, California, Alabama.
- Lincoln's longstanding recruitment efforts to attract students from international locations continue as the enrollment includes students from Africa and the Bahamas.
- For students with an interest in pursuing a military career, the

R.O.T.C. program is a newly available option at the main campus.

- Alumni are working diligently for the University; in the past three years, Lincoln has gained 50 new alumni recruitment volunteers.
- Student campus tours are on the rise, and Admissions counselors average 50 college fairs annually.
- In Sports — Lincoln University's men's and women's track and field teams, coached by the legendary figure of Cyrus Jones, captured national titles in the years 2000, 1996, 1995, 1990, and 1985. Coach Jones also earned honors as the Division III Track and Field 2000 Coach of the Year in a vote by his fellow coaches.



Campus statue of outstanding freedom fighter, educator and editor Frederick Douglass.

Homecoming Activities October 22-29, 2000

Sunday, October 22, 2000

6:00 pm Mr. And Ms. Lincoln University
Coronation
Location: Manuel Rivero Hall (Gym)

2:00 pm Annual Homecoming Parade

4:00 pm Step Show – Fraternal and Sorority
Organizations
Location: Thurgood Marshall LIVING
LEARNING CENTER (LLC)

Monday, October 23, 2000 through Friday, October 27, 2000

Alumni Representatives from many
professions will be on campus visiting
selected classes.

8:00 pm HOMECOMING Extravaganza –
Show and Dance
Location: Thurgood Marshall LIVING
LEARNING CENTER (LLC)
Sponsored by Alumni Relations Office
Featuring: "Ziana Club" (Student
Fashion Models)
"La La" (Emerging
Female Artist)
"Special Blendz" (Male
Motown Style Group)

Tickets: \$20.00

Saturday, October 28, 2000

Homecoming Day

9:00 am Information Tent
Location: In Front of Student
Union Building

9:30 am Ladies Auxiliary Meeting
Location: Guest House

9:30 am Alumni Association of Lincoln University
Location: Board Room – Vail Hall

10:30 am Reunion Classes (1's and 6's)
Student Union Building

11:30 am Luncheon – Main Dining Room,
Student Union Building
Guest Speaker – TBA
Adults: \$10.00, Children: \$5.00

Sunday, October 29, 2000

11:30 am Chapel Service, Mary Dod Brown
Memorial Chapel

For Information, please call 1-610-932-8300, Ext. 3449 or 3429.

Reunion 2001 & Commencement Weekend

Lincoln Alumni
Classes Ending In " 1's " and " 6's "
Return Home to Celebrate
Your Class Reunions!



L to R: W. Bridgeford, M. Sneed, S. Rawlins, C. Faulcon, W. Bennett, L. Jackson, R. Barnes, R. Pulley, C. Preston, H. Davis, R. Wisner, E. Hall, J. Rich, A Pollard, D. Roberts, L. Burris, G. Russell, J. Gordy and S. Mason. They have contributed over \$16,000 as a reunion class gift.

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Tracey J. Hunter Hayes '87 Directs Alumni Relations

Tracey J. Hunter Hayes, a 1987 Lincoln University graduate, is the new Director of Alumni Relations. Hunter Hayes returns to his Alma Mater after working ten years as a professional librarian. He earned his bachelor's degree in philosophy in 1987; he also earned a master of library science degree from the University of Pittsburgh in 1989.



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During his years of experience in librarianship, he has presented workshops, published articles and was awarded several career and leadership opportunities such as: research fellowship at the American Library Association in Chicago; delegate to the White House Conference on Libraries, and the International Federation of Library Associations (IFLA) in the USSR and Turkey; and participant in the Association of Research Libraries-Leadership and Career Development Program (ARL-LCDP). He is listed in Who's Who Among Black Americans.

He is familiar with Lincoln's alumni programs and activities having served as the vice president and president of the Philadelphia Alumni Chapter. He also served as the historian of the General Alumni Association.

He is committed to the University and its future and approaches his new position as a "labor of love" with enthusiasm to advance the works of past alumni directors and to create new initiatives.

Hunter Hayes is the father of four children and is married to Lincoln alumna Kathleen J. Butler, class of 1989.

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Graduation Celebrations



LINCOLN UNIVERSITY graduating senior David Lee Heiber, of New Castle, Delaware waves proudly to family and friends during the 141st Commencement at the University. Heiber was among a record-setting 315 seniors to receive bachelor's degrees in the May 7, 2000 ceremony. Master's degrees were granted to another 250 graduate students, who also composed the largest post-baccalaureate class in Lincoln's history. Honorary doctor of science degrees will be presented to Dr. Clarence F. Stephens, a renowned mathematician and former college professor; and Dr. Anthony B. Monteiro, a 1967 Lincoln graduate, who is an associate professor of

sociology at the University of the Sciences, and visiting adjunct professor of Afro-American studies at the University of Pennsylvania, in Philadelphia.



Adrienne G. Rhone '76,
chair of the Lincoln
Board of Trustees, speaks
at the Inauguration of
President Ivory V. Nelson.
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