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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dr. Carolyn R. Mahoney,
President of Lincoln University

Dear Lincolniters and Friends:

I am pleased to extend greetings to all readers of this edition of the Alumni Line!

Visitors to the campus in the last several months have noticed several construction projects underway. In the spring of 2006, plans were initiated to construct a residence hall on the site of recently purchased property on Locust Street, east of campus. The new apartment-style facility is scheduled for completion and student occupancy beginning with the fall 2008 semester. Construction progress can be viewed from the Lincoln University web site at www.lincolnu.edu.

Another project that Lincoln University is undertaking is the preservation of the President’s Residence at 601 Jackson Street. With initial partial funding support garnered from the National Park Service in the U.S. Department of the Interior, renovation is well underway. The ultimate goal is to restore the facility for use as a president’s residence, with the first floor suitable for use by the president to host receptions, dinners, etc. for students, faculty, staff, alumni and friends.

We also are making some renovations to Richardson Fine Arts Center that include replacing the seats in the Auditorium, providing for easier and greater accessibility, and improving the appearance of the lobby. Additionally, we are completing phase II of the Jason Hall renovation by remodeling the offices and classrooms, and relocating the fitness center to the first floor.

This edition of the Alumni Line encourages us to be proud of the accomplishments of alumni and of students, faculty and staff. I think you will enjoy reading every page!

Sincerely,

Carolyn R. Mahoney, Ph.D.
President

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Dear Alumni and Friends,

2008 is off to a great start. Your Alumni Association Executive Board and its Board of Directors held a very productive Mid-Winter Board Meeting on Lincoln’s campus, April 3 – 4. Seventeen of our 19 alumni chapters were represented at the meeting and each one of them shared their visions and expectations for the upcoming months. Much of our time was devoted to discussions of growing each local chapter base, and increasing alumni giving – each by 20% in 2008.

Other highlights of the Mid-Winter meeting included:

- Preliminary approval of a one-year complimentary Alumni Association membership for all graduating seniors (to be voted on for approval at the plenary session in October, 2008);
- Approval of a plan for a $265.00 contribution from each local chapter toward a $5,000.00 paver as part of the Soldiers’ Memorial;
- Discussion led by President Mahoney of the primary fund-raising needs: scholarships and an additional $600,000.00 to complete payment for the Soldiers’ Memorial;
- Approval of 2008 Distinguished Alumni recognition recipients and Hall of Fame inductees;
- Presentation of 2008 National Alumni Convention plans by the Jefferson City Chapter;
- Update on the 2009 National Alumni Convention in Memphis;
- Discussions are underway for additional chapters including an International chapter.

While attending the Mid-Winter Board Meeting, Board members had the opportunity to attend the Sixth Annual Lincoln University President’s Gala. Honorees at this year’s Gala were Dr. Rosemary Hearn, Mrs. Mary Redmon (Posthumously), Mayor John Landwehr, Dr. James Frank, Mr. Gary Wilbers, and Senator Carl Vogel. More than 400 alumni, friends and students attended at the black tie affair.

SAVE THE DATE! 68th Annual National Alumni Convention during Homecoming 2008, October 8 – 12, on the Lincoln University campus.

We encourage each alumni to personally recruit one new member to the Association this year. Thanks to all of you for your continued support of the Lincoln University Alumni Association. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me at hkdorsey@bellsouth.net.

Yours for Lincoln,

Hardy K. Dorsey, Sr.

Hardy K. Dorsey, Sr. (‘69)
Alumni Association President
These days finding someone willing to do a job for free might be a little hard to do. That was not the case when a young Jesse Hill, Jr. (‘47) arrived at Lincoln University in 1944. During his first two days on campus, Hill spent his time volunteering in the Registrar’s Office. The St. Louis native says he decided to pitch in after seeing the atmosphere in the office when he was escorted there by the University’s Assistant Business Manager.

“That was the day of registration and it was chaotic,” says Hill. “I saw the chaos and I just volunteered to help in that process and I stayed, although I was not on the payroll or the staff.”

Hill says he returned and offered his services for a second day, despite being told by the secretary that the office had no funds to pay him. By the third day, Dr. Walter Talbot, University Registrar, informed Hill that his office had found the money to pay him.

Hill’s initial interaction with Dr. Talbot was just the beginning of what would become a longtime friendship. At that time, professors at Lincoln University served dual roles, both in the classroom and in administrative offices. Coincidentally, Dr. Talbot also was the Head of the Department of Mathematics.

“I have been close to many important people in my life... presidents, heads of organizations,” . . . “My mother and my grandfather I credit because they never finished high school. It’s about being blessed with parents who want you to have more opportunities than they did.”

Jesse Hill, Jr. (second from right) pictured with his mother and aunt.
which happened to be Hill’s field of study. The two remained friends after Hill earned his Bachelor of Science in Mathematics and Physics. Dr. Talbot even traveled to Cuba in 1955 when Hill married the former J. Azira Gonzalez Sanchez.

While his first few days at Lincoln stand out in his mind, Hill fondly remembers the campus and its surroundings.

“At the bottom of that hill was a small Black community,” he recalls. “Members of the community related to the campus community and it was very impressive.”

Hill says the interrelation between the University and the nearby community was definitely unique, especially when compared to his time in graduate work at the University of Michigan.

“The kind of relationship that Lincoln had with its local community was different and it was just outstanding.”

In 1949, soon after earning his MBA in Actuarial Science from the University of Michigan, Hill moved to Atlanta to begin a career with Atlanta Life Insurance Company, after being recruited while still in school. Hill said he accepted the company’s modest offer for an Actuarial Assistant position, after learning that one of the company’s top administrators was related, by marriage, to his mentor, Dr. Walter Talbot. The decision proved to be a good one, as Hill stayed with the company for 46 years before retiring as President and Chief Executive Officer in 1995.

Even while building his successful career, Hill was active in the Atlanta community and the Civil Rights Movement. Being involved in the community and social consciousness was something Hill says he learned at a young age from his mother, who was actively involved in their St. Louis neighborhood’s Urban League. His drive for involvement continued through his years at Lincoln University and it was no different when he relocated to Atlanta.

“No one had to solicit me,” says Hill. “I wanted to be a part of the community.”

Hill recalls when he first arrived in Atlanta he read a newspaper article about local businessman John Calhoun, who was President of the Atlanta Chapter of the NAACP. Calhoun had been ordered by the State of Georgia to release the names and addresses of NAACP members within 24 hours of the order. He refused and was jailed. Nearly five decades later, Hill still remembers the article and says getting to know and work with Calhoun was something he will not forget.

Besides joining forces with Calhoun and others as part of the NAACP, Hill served many years as Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Non-Violent Social Change. In the ’60’s he founded The Atlanta Inquirer, a weekly newspaper chronicling the Civil Rights Movement. Today it is Atlanta’s leading black paper reaching 200,000 readers weekly. In addition, because of his top position at Atlanta Life, Hill was able to offer financial backing to the movement by providing insurance underwriting for such things as bail money for those arrested for their efforts.

The pursuit of civil rights may not be the top social issue as it was in the 60s and 70s, but Hill says today’s young people should still find a cause to keep them active. Hill cites the current political scene as a prime example of the importance of involvement in bringing about change.

“In the current Presidential election, and the candidacy of Obama and Clinton, there are Blacks throughout the country who have gotten involved in this Presidential primary election with unprecedented activity,” says Hill. “I hope this will help inspire a turnaround in some of the unfortunate statistics of the Black male, those that are in prison versus those who are out.”

Hill adds that standing for something you believe in builds character and makes an individual more productive in all aspects of life.

A successful career and countless hours spent as an activist, for most, would equal a full life. For Hill, it was just the beginning, as he continually made history with his
contributions to the city of Atlanta and the state of Georgia. Among his long list of accomplishments Hill served as the first Chairman of the Atlanta Metropolitan Area Rapid Transit Authority Board of Directors; was the first African-American to serve on the Board of Regents for the University System of Georgia; was the first African-American to serve as President of the Atlanta Chamber of Commerce, which also made him the first African-American to hold the position in a major city; and he was the first African-American member of the Board of Directors for the elite Commerce Club, an Atlanta business organization. In addition, Hill served as the first African-American member on the boards of directors for several major corporations including Delta Air Lines, Knight-Rider and SunTrust.

Hill has also been active in politics, serving as Campaign Chairman for Maynard Jackson’s bid for Atlanta Mayor and Andrew Young’s race for Congress. He also served as an advisor to Atlanta Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr. and has worked in various capacities for Mayor Shirley Franklin.

For his service, Hill has received numerous honors and awards from organizations and institutions. In 2001, his beloved Atlanta renamed Butler Street, Jesse Hill, Jr. Drive in his honor. In spite of all he has accomplished and the numerous recognitions he has earned, Hill does not take personal credit for his success. He says his alma mater played a major role in his life’s path.

“Lincoln University is such a classic,” states Hill. “The faculty was dedicated and well trained. To me that was very impressive and it was a part of my inspiration.”

Hill says he still recommends Lincoln University to those seeking a college education today. Hill’s oldest daughter, Nancy (Hill) Cooke, is a 1978 graduate of Lincoln University. Hill recalls when he arrived in Atlanta the local alumni chapter had folded. Hill was approached by fellow alums Lovell Lemons (’76), Patricia Neal-Tyler (’85) and Dr. Sherman Bonds (’80) about reviving the chapter and says he was glad to see it reactivated in 2000.

Hill is proud of the work of his local chapter, especially their efforts to recruit high school graduates, not just in the Atlanta area, but in the rural areas as well. One of the chapter’s recruitment efforts is to set up a booth during Mayor Shirley Franklin’s annual job fair. Hill says Lemons mans the booth and that it has grown to be the best booth of the fair.

When asked if he should be considered a role model or even a trailblazer, Hill modestly accepts the praise, but gives the honor for who he has become to his mother and maternal grandparents. These three “giants,” as he calls them, should be recognized for making the road a little easier for him to travel.

“I have been close to many important people in my life… presidents, heads of organizations,” he reflects. “My mother and my grandfather I credit because they never finished high school. It’s about being blessed with parents who want you to have more opportunities than they did.”

Hill says throughout his life, his most important goal has been to make his children and grandchildren proud. He says for all the recognition he has received, the most fulfilling part is knowing he has left a mark on his part of the world.

“I would be proud, not to pin a button on my lapel, but because I have contributed something.”
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For Darryl Burnett (‘03), Lincoln University has always been his top choice for furthering his education. A graduate of Jefferson City High School, Burnett says when it came time to pick a college, LU was the only viable option.

“When I first graduated from high school in Jefferson City in ‘68, in my mind there wasn’t any other school that I wanted to go to because it allowed me to work and stay in the community I enjoyed,” says Burnett.

In the fall following his high school graduation, Burnett enrolled in several courses geared toward his physical education major. It wasn’t long before Burnett realized that college was not the right fit for his life and just a few weeks into his first semester, withdrew from the University. After more than two decades spent in the workforce and away from the classroom, Burnett’s then significant other, Sherrie Koechling, a professor at Lincoln University, asked him to reconsider pursuing his degree.

“She was the one that suggested that. She was a really big proponent of me doing that. So she was the one behind the second time I started,” Burnett recalls.

This time he stayed and earned a Bachelor of Science in Marketing. Burnett credits the flexibility of Lincoln University and understanding employers for being able to achieve his goal.

“Lincoln has progressed like a lot of the other institutions in recognizing non-traditional students are serious about wanting to pursue their education and they will work with you,” says Burnett. He adds, “The group that I worked for at that time actually helped pay for my education. They worked with me when I had to take a class at noon or 1:00. That was my lunch hour.”

After eight and half years of lunch hour and night classes, Burnett earned his degree in May of 2003. That same year, he married Koechling.

Although armed with years of practical experience, Burnett, who serves as the Local Sales Manager for Cumulus Broadcasting, LLC, says his education has been useful in his career. While a college degree isn’t a prerequisite for his position, he says it has made a difference.

“In sales and management you don’t really need a degree, you won’t be penalized for it, but I think it makes you more well-rounded in the workplace and as you go out in the community.”

Being out in the community is definitely something that Burnett does quite often. In addition to his career, he is extremely active in many of Jefferson City’s civic and service organizations. His involvement includes Host Lions Club; Past President of the East Side Business Association; Incoming President of the West Side Business Association (term begins January 2009), Jefferson City Chamber of Commerce; Masonic Lodge #43; Columbia Scottish Rite; United Way of Central Missouri and the Jefferson City Area YMCA.

“I think I just don’t know how to say ‘no’ sometimes,” Burnett says of his ever expanding full plate of activities. “I enjoy people. I enjoy our community,” he adds. “I grew up in Jefferson City. My mother always told me, ‘If you’re going to have a voice and want to make a difference, you have to get active.’ I choose what I do to be that active and know a lot of people... To know these people personally and help our community be sound and grow.”

Burnett’s plans for the foreseeable future don’t include long days or even hours of leisure, though he admits he does enjoy sitting on the deck of the home he shares with his wife or enjoying a good book.

“I wonder if I’ll ever be able to retire and slow down and I don’t think so and I think that’s alright for my character.”
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6th Annual President’s Gala

The Lincoln University Foundation, Inc., celebrated record attendance and fundraising levels for the 6th Annual President’s Awards-Recognition Gala and Auction. Held on April 5, the black-tie optional event at Jefferson City’s Capitol Plaza Hotel was attended by approximately 525 Lincoln University faculty, staff, alumni and friends. The evening raised in excess of $200,000 from ticket sales, sponsorships and proceeds from the silent auction. This year’s event theme was “Big Dreams, Big Accomplishments.”

Dr. Rosemary Hearn - Professor Emeritus
For dedicating more than 40 years of academic service to the University. During her tenure, Hearn was appointed to several administrative positions including: Interim Executive Dean for Academic Affairs, Special Assistant to the President, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and as Vice President of Academic Affairs. Hearn retired from the University after achieving Professor Emeritus status in May 2000. Currently, Dr. Hearn is a member of the Executive Service Corps of Junior Achievement of Indiana, and serves as a mentor for inner-city high school seniors.

Jefferon City Mayor John Landwehr
Special Recognition
For his ongoing commitment to connecting the University with the community. After serving on the Jefferson City City Council, Landwehr was elected as Mayor in Spring 2003. Landwehr is a partner at Cook, Vetter, Deorhoff and Landwehr Law Office, where he practices in the area of real estate, estate planning, commercial and administrative law.

Mary Redmon
Special Recognition (posthumously)
For serving the University for 30 years as Housing Director. Redmon was affectionately called “Mom” by her students. Redmon was heavily involved in the community both while a University employee and after her retirement. Her activities included: volunteering with the American Red Cross, Meals on Wheels, Villa Marie Skilled Nursing Facility and Boy Scouts of America. Redmon’s children, Dr. Alonzo Redmon and Jacquelyn “Jackie” Jackson, received the honor on their mother’s behalf.
Dr. James Frank - Trailblazer
For being the first, and only, Lincoln University alumnus to serve as University President. Dr. Frank also served as an assistant professor and Head Coach of the LU Men's Basketball Team. While serving as President, he also served as the Secretary-Treasurer and then later as the President of the NCAA, making history as the first college president and the first African-American to hold both positions. In January, Dr. Frank became the first African-American to receive the National Collegiate Athletic Association's Presidents Gerald R. Ford Award for his leadership in higher education and intercollegiate athletics. Dr. Frank is also a member of the Lincoln University Foundation Board and the Lincoln University National Alumni Association.

Mr. Gary Wilbers - Trailblazer
For services provided to Lincoln University and the Jefferson City community. As a student at Lincoln University, Wilbers pursued a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and served as the President of Students in Free Enterprise. After graduation, Wilbers became the Owner/President Mid-America Wireless, a communications retail company with 14 locations. Wilbers is a past member of the Lincoln University Foundation Board, Inc. Board of Directors, and currently volunteers with the United Way of Central Missouri, Easter Seals, and the Special Olympics of Missouri.

Dr. Carolyn R. Mahoney, Mr. Gary Wilbers, and Mr. Victor Pasley.

Curator Rodney Boyd, Senator Maida Coleman and Dr. Carolyn R. Mahoney.

Senator Maida Coleman
Currently serves as the Minority Floor Leader in the State Senate, was presented with a proclamation from the Lincoln University Board of Curators for her service as a legislator and alumnae. Coleman graduated from the University with a bachelor’s degree in Journalism in 1976. Coleman has held various roles in State government including: Committeewoman of the 7th Ward, a Missouri House Representative and Assistant Minority Floor Leader. In conjunction with her duties as the Minority Floor Leader, Coleman has also aided in appointing members to the LU Board of Curators. Coleman will leave her seat in the Senate this year, due to term limits.

Senator Carl Vogel - Corporate Award
On behalf of the Jefferson City Coca-Cola Bottling Company, where he has served as President and General Manager of the company since 1983. In addition to his duties as the fourth generation, family-owned business, Vogel served 12 years in the Missouri House of Representative before being elected to the Missouri Senate in 2002. Currently, he sits on six Senate committees, and is active in numerous community and professional organizations.
As the proud owner of Samuel’s Tuxedo and Gifts, the only independently owned and operated tuxedo shop in the Jefferson City downtown area, Sam Bushman (’75) has become the ultimate go-to-man for local residents’ formal wear needs.

Before he developed a keen business sense, Bushman walked the halls of Richardson Fine Arts Center with hopes of earning an art degree. The LU campus proved to be a familiar setting for the Jefferson City native, who caught an up close and personal glimpse of college life as an elementary student between treks to and from Moreau Heights Elementary School.

“I needed a college education and was very comfortable with Lincoln. I grew up on Moreau Drive and we would shoot up through the campus on our way home all the time,” says Bushman.

For Bushman, attending Lincoln University after transferring from Florissant Valley Community College seemed the natural way to jumpstart a career in the art education field. Bushman says he took advantage of opportunities outside of the classroom that were available to students, such as serving as staff writers and photographers with the University’s student newspaper.

“I did a lot with the newspaper. Some friends of mine were photographers and we went all over the place for the Clarion. We wrote stories and took pictures and that was fun,” says Bushman.

Two years later, Bushman received the degree he thought would pave the way to achieving his lifelong dream. His desire to secure a faculty position at Lincoln required him to earn a master’s degree, which led him to enroll at the University of Missouri-Columbia.

“Lincoln offered me a job on the faculty on the grounds that I would pursue a master’s degree. So, I went over to MU and started working on my master’s. I just really wanted to become an art teacher,” says Bushman.

With only a few courses under his belt, Bushman incurred a life-altering injury that ended his hopes of ever entering the classroom.

“I slipped on the ice and smashed my arm against a curb. At the time, I was a left-handed painting, print-making major. Not only did I injure my left arm, but I also had to spend three years in and out of a cast,” says Bushman.

At the time of his injury, Bushman was employed as a tuxedo manager, buyer and retail salesman at Herman’s Department Store in Jefferson City. What was supposed to be a job to pay the bills while he was in graduate school, soon became an alternative classroom for a new career opportunity.

“I worked at the store while earning my master’s degree. It was a family owned store and they were so good to me. They taught me all I needed to know about retail. When I broke my arm, they told me I could still sell clothing with a cast on. I just needed to do something,” says Bushman.

Bushman turned his mishap into a promising business venture when the department store closed. Instead of choosing a new career path, Bushman purchased the building adjacent to Herman’s and opened Samuel’s Tuxedos in 1991. For Bushman, making the transition from an employee to an employer was an easy task.
“When they closed I bought all my fixtures from them and moved them next door. It was really easy and it worked out really well,” says Bushman.

Today, Bushman credits his faith for achieving 35 years in an industry where he received marginal educational training.

“God has been awfully good to me. Everything just keeps falling into place. I kind of believe in fate and if something is meant to be, then it works out. So either I’m really-really lucky, or God is smiling down on me and saying this poor boy needs some help,” says Bushman.

Aside from his good fortune, Bushman’s philanthropic endeavors led him back to LU, where he currently volunteers with the business department as guest speaker for marketing classes and the Students In Free Enterprise (SIFE) organization.

“LU has some of the nicest young people. They are wonderful and I think we take them for granted. I’m really impressed with the quality of our students and their abilities.”

For students and alums desiring to own and operate a business of their own, Bushman offers this sound advice…….

“You’ve got to like people. If you don’t like people, don’t think about opening a business. Your personality is going to decide if people come to you. Opening a business has its rewards…..there’s nothing like being your own boss.”

Lincoln University Actively Involved with Thurgood Marshall College Fund

The Thurgood Marshall College Fund Member Universities Professional Institute and Exhibit was held in Charlotte, North Carolina March 2-5. Hardy Dorsey, National Alumni Association President; Herbert Kitchen, Vice President National Alumni Association, Jerrold Brantley, President of the Atlanta chapter; Wayne Kitchen, San Francisco Bay chapter; and Jaci Sturgies of Charlotte, North Carolina attended the institute. From the university Constance Williams, Vice President Student Affairs; Therssa Ferguson, Assistant to the President for Academic Success and Student Retention; Benecia Williams, Director, Alumni Affairs and five students participated in the institute.

Hardy Dorsey was on the program for the Welcome Reception and the Awards Luncheon. Mrs. Ferguson brought her expertise to a panel that discussed Best Practices in Student Retention; Jaci Sturgies volunteered throughout the conference at the registration area; and Benecia Williams received an award for Outstanding Achievement in Alumni Affairs Management.

The National Alumni Association’s Mid Winter Board meeting was held in Memorial Hall on the Lincoln University campus April 3rd and 4th. The board meeting is traditionally held in the city that will host the Alumni Association National Convention. This year a mini convention will be held in Jefferson City in conjunction with Homecoming, which is scheduled for October 8-12.

Present were Hardy Dorsey, National Alumni Association President; Herb Kitchen, Vice-President; and Kim Story, Secretary. Chapters were represented by Jerrold Brantley, Atlanta; Otto Bradford, Chicago; Roscoe Rush, Cleveland; Dan Brooks, Dallas; Jackie Alexander, Dayton, Ohio; Jeneva McQueary, Denver; Ben Clarke, Detroit; Gregory Hunt, Kansas City; Earl Wheatfall, Milwaukee; Larry Lewis, St. Louis; Tammy Nobles, Jefferson City; Julie Johnson, Los Angeles; Viola Cole, Memphis; Linda Helm, New York; Sharon Jackson, San Francisco Bay; Darryl Minner, Southeast Missouri; and Leo Pickett, Washington DC.

The board discussed and determined that, beginning this year, each reunion class will be asked to set a goal to make a $50,000 gift to the University by their 50th Golden Reunion year. The Office of Alumni Affairs will provide the cumulative amount each reunion class has donated since 1999 to the class agents who will challenge class members to work towards the $50,000 reunion class gift. Classes that have reached or exceeded the $50,000 goal will be asked to make a special gift towards a major project. In addition, the board asked the Office of Alumni Affairs to notify class agents that a minimum of $5,000 must be raised by Homecoming for a reunion class to make a presentation during the Homecoming football game.

Benecia Williams discussed the importance of having updated information in the database on alumni and provided each chapter president with a spreadsheet of financial members that do not have employer/business information and email addresses in the database. Chapter presidents were asked to contact alumni and assist in updating the individual records.

Board members had an opportunity to greet potential students and parents who attended an LU open house being held on campus during those meeting dates. Words of encouragement, advice and short stories were shared of first experiences and fond memories. Board members also toured the President’s Residence, at 601 Jackson Street.
Lincoln University Alumni Line

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Stepping Up and Stepping Out

When the Lincoln University Alumni Association National Officers called for more participation from its younger counterparts, the Jefferson City (JC) Alumni Chapter accepted the challenge. The Jefferson City Chapter has the largest number of alumni under the age of forty actively involved and in leadership positions. Tammy Nobles (’06), President, and officers challenge other young alumni across the nation to join the Association and get involved. Officers are David Williams (’98); Vice President; DeShelia Milton (’96), Treasurer; Jeremy Bradley (’07) and Jessica Oetting (’05) Co-Convention Chairs.

“Although the chapter demographics are varied, there is synergy. We work together for the good of our alma mater because there is much to be learned from networking with seasoned alumni,” says Jessica Oetting.

Prior to becoming active, Williams noticed a gap in participation from alums within his own age group and decided to become involved.

“I felt like I would have a greater impact in terms of the initiatives, activities and goals of the chapter.”

Nobles learned from her experience as President of the Student Alumni Association the value of establishing relationships and networking with seasoned alumni whose guidance is invaluable. Jeremy Bradley remembers meeting the Mahons, when he was the SGA President at the Alumni Association Convention.

“Jim and Emily Mahon have been invaluable resources to me both as an undergraduate student and as alumni. I have found them to be friendly and helpful and the experience they share is incredible.”

The chapter meets on the fourth Saturday of the month in Memorial Hall at 10:00 am and extends an invitation to all alumni in the area. The goals of the chapter include supporting the students and University goals, community involvement and increasing membership.

In addition to regular meetings, the chapter gathers at the Knowles YMCA Annex on the last Saturday of the month for Urban Slide dancing taught by Nobles. The event has become very popular and allows alumni to gather for fun and exercise. The chapter meets with the Student Government Association (SGA) and Lincoln University Student Alumni Association (LUSAA) monthly. They also judged the Drum Major Competition; participated in GradFest, the President’s Gala and took time from their professional responsibilities to have lunch with the LUSAA.

Members of the chapter continued the tradition established by Sheila Logan, past chapter president, of vending at the state track meet. Funds will assist the chapter as they prepare for the October 8-12, mini-convention they are responsible for coordinating.
68th Convention and Homecoming Schedule (TENTATIVE)

Wednesday, October 8, 2008

8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Registration and Information Desk Open
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Alumni Association Executive Board Meeting
1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Alumni Association Board of Directors Meeting
5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Alumni Mixer

Thursday, October 9, 2008

8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Registration and Information Desk Open
8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Plenary Session I
11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Students join plenary for dialogue with alumni
12 noon – 2:00 p.m. Foundation Luncheon (By Invitation)
3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Albert James Wilson Bowling for Cash Event
5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet
8:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Mr. & Miss LU Coronation
9:30 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. Welcome Reception

Friday, October 10, 2008

All Day Lincoln Campus Walking Tour (self-guided)
8:00 – 9:00 a.m. Reunion Choir Meet and Greet
8:00 a.m. Student/Alumni Golf Outing
8:00 – 11:00 a.m. Plenary Session II
9:15 – 11:30 a.m. Reunion Choir Full Rehearsal
9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Alumni Data Updates, LU Paraphernalia and Ticket Sales
11:00 a.m. – 12 noon Lincoln Day Celebration / Spirit Rally
11:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Lincoln Palooza / Vendors
12 noon – 1:30 p.m. Reunion Classes Luncheon and Memorial Services
1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Soldiers Memorial Recommitment Ceremony
2:05 p.m. – 3:20 p.m. Alumni Dialogue with Dr. Mahoney/ Hardy K. Dorsey, Jr.
3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Miss Lincoln University Tea (By invitation)
4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Soul Food Dinner
4:00 – 5:00 p.m. Reunion Choir Performance
6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Distinguished Alumni/ Hall of Fame Banquet
10:00 p.m. – 1:00 a.m. Comedy Show
10:00 p.m. – 1:00 a.m. Classes of 60’s Dance

Saturday, October 11, 2008

9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Homecoming Parade
9:30 a.m. – 12 noon Downtown Business Connections
Following the Parade Battle of the Bands and Drill Teams
11 a.m. – end of game Vendors / Tailgating
11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Carl North Smith Post-Parade Alumni Luncheon
12 noon – 2:00 p.m. Greek Step Show
2:00 p.m. FOOTBALL GAME
Following Game Alumni Greek Serenade
9:00 p.m. – 1:00 a.m. Alumni Concert/ Dance

Sunday, October 12, 2008

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Memorial Prayer Breakfast
**LINCOLN UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, INC.**  
**68TH NATIONAL CONVENTION – JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI**  
**October 8 – October 12, 2008**

**CONVENTION REGISTRATION**

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*Full Registration Package Fee includes Souvenir Program Book, Convention Portfolio, Souvenirs/Memorabilia, Access to the Convention Hospitality Room, and Tickets to all Convention Events.*

**Registration badge/ticket is required for entry into all events.**

**Individual Ticket Prices without convention registration:** (Please indicate number of tickets needed per event)

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(No personal checks accepted after October 3, 2008)

Please return completed registration and payment to:
Lincoln University (MO) Alumni Association  
Jefferson City Chapter  
PO Box 302  
Jefferson City, MO 65101  
ATTN: Convention Registration

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Lincoln University 2008 Homecoming Week  
October 5th - October 12th  
OFFICIAL HOUSING INFORMATION

1. The hotel(s) must receive housing forms by September 26, 2008.
2. The hotel/motel(s) cannot accept telephone/telex reservations or online. Reservations cannot be made through the Office of Alumni Affairs.
3. Mail or fax the Official Housing Form to your first choice hotel/motel. A room confirmation number will be mailed to you directly from the hotel.
4. Only one room may be requested on each form. Reservations will only be accepted on the Official Form or a reasonable facsimile.
5. If you fax your form, do not mail the form as well, in order to avoid duplication and possible double billing. We suggest you keep a copy of your form for your records.
6. Rooms are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. Please rank the remainder of the hotel/motels on the bottom of the Official Housing Form. Reservations made after September 26, 2008 are subject to different room rates.
7. All reservations require one night’s deposit (excluding tax) or a credit card guarantee. Cashier’s checks/money orders should be payable to the hotel. If you prefer to submit a cashier’s check/money order, a minimum deposit of $100 is required. Your deposit will be deducted from your final bill upon your departure.
8. REFUND CANCELLATION POLICY: Please inquire about cancellation policy when making reservations. Return the Official Housing Form to your first hotel choice listed below. Rank in order of hotel preference.

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OFFICIAL HOUSING FORM
TO YOUR FIRST CHOICE HOTEL

Please send this form to your first choice hotel.

To ensure that your request is handled quickly and efficiently, please print or type all information requested.

Name: ____________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________ E-Mail:________________________

City:________________________________________ State:_________ ZIP Code:___________

Daytime Telephone: (_______)____________________ Fax: (_______)____________________

Date of Graduation from Lincoln University: _________________ or last year attended: _________________

Arrival Date/Time:______________ Departure Date/Time: ________________

Room Type: □ Single □ Double □ Queen □ King □ Jacuzzi □ Suite type

□ Non-Smoking □ Smoking

Note: Room assignment is based on availability. Some hotels will book more rapidly than others.

☐ Check Here If You Require Special Accessibility or Accommodations.

My Requirements Are: ________________________________

Check One:

☐ Enclosed is a cashier’s check/money order for deposit payable to:
(See below for special notes)

☐ Guarantee my reservations with the following credit card:

☐ MasterCard ☐ VISA ☐ American Express ☐ Discover

Card Number:_________________________ Expiration Date:________________________

Card Holder’s Name:________________________

Card Holder’s Signature:________________________

Cancellation Policy is: ______________________________

RETURN FORM TO: Your First Choice Hotel/Motel

(Please number all other hotels in the order that you prefer)

_____ Best Western Capital Inn _____ Econo Lodge _____ Super 8

_____ Candlewood Suites _____ Fairfield Jefferson City _____ Truman Hotel § (formerly Ramada Inn)

_____ Capitol Plaza Hotel _____ Hampton Inn

_____ Comfort Suites _____ Holiday Inn Express* § ¶

_____ Days Inn* § ¶ _____ Hotel Deville*

_____ Doubletree Hotel _____ Motel 6

Special Notes:
*Credit card only § Two-night stay minimum ¶ Two-week cancellation notice

Your FIRST choice hotel will send this Official Housing Form to your next choice hotel/motel as you ranked them, if occupancy is not available.
ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Hardy K. Dorsey, ('69)
is the newly elected president of theThurgood Marshall College FundAlumni Council.

Melanie Palmer, ('98)
Published an article, Ending the Cycle ofChild Abuse in the N’Terprises section of theMay 1-7, 2008, edition of Chicago’sN’Digo Magapor.

Rhonda Harper, ('82)
LU, Director of Bands, is featured inProfiles In Pride, March of the Mighty, a book showcasing HBCU band directors.

Edward A. Rankin, MD, ('61)
Became the first African AmericanPresident of the American Academy ofOrthopaedic Surgeons in March 2008.Dr. Rankin will be inducted into theNational Black College Alumni Hall of Fame2008 class for exceptional achievement in the field of medicine on September 26, 2008 at the HyattRegency in Atlanta, Georgia.

Alfreda Peterson, ('69)
Was appointed in October 2007 to head theGary, Indiana Housing Authority.

MARRIAGES

Amy Bruemmer ('06) & Nathan, Hagenhoff - 9/22/2007
Tina Stratman ('90) & Troy Donehew ('89) - 7/7/2007
Sherry Ellis ('03) & Monte Rowden ('03) - 4/21/2007
Brandi Sullens ('06) & Mark McKinney II - 11/23/2007
Breena Cook ('00) & John Eddy - 1/5/2008
Sandra Agnes ('04) & Mark Kloepel - 9/22/2007
Rick Bax ('02) & Allison Groner - 8/4/2007
Kari Miller ('07) & Brandon Loganbill - 7/7/2007
Trisha Winkelman ('04) & Brian Heinemicks - 6/30/2007
Amy Koch ('97) & Mark Verslues ('94) - 11/10/2007
Jessica Hart ('06) & Andrew Meller ('05) - 9/8/2007
Brandy Morton ('04) & Ryan Herigon - 9/29/2007
Jude Meldrem ('02) & Emily Luebbering - 2/16/2008
Elizabeth Crook ('07) & Grant Oliver - 9/29/2007
Ryan Rademan ('07) & Brianna Johnson - 9/15/2007

BIRTHS

A son, Makhi Taeyang Sutton, was born January 3, 2008 to Christopher T. Sutton, ('00, Employee), and Angela D. Sutton, ('03).

A son, Kristopher Lawrence Henderson, was born February 14, 2008 to Michael T. Henderson, ('02, Employee) and Khalilah N. Henderson ('02).

A son, Aaron Javon Brown-Brown, was born April 22, 2008 to Jenae Akins ('99, '03), and Aaron Brown.

A son, Jordan Butler was born November 9, 2007, to Brandy Brown Butler ('00), and Barry Butler.

Necrology

We sorrowfully acknowledge the deaths of the following alumni and offer our condolences to their families and friends.

Nicole R. Kelley-Ross '02 2/28/08
William B. Buell '95 12/31/07
Bryon Davis '93 / Employee 1/08/08
Wanda Coleman '90 11/9/07
Karla Winkley-Byrd '89 2/1/08
John Frye '82 10/15/07
Robert King '78 12/16/07
Brenda Hayes-Lewis '72 1/18/08
David Jannick '71 11/30/07
Jack Chaloppe '69 1/19/08
Sharon L. (Yontz) Custer '65 11/26/07
Curtistine Miller '65 3/7/08
Rob "Bob" Johnson '64 1/14/08
George Hohenstreet '59 10/18/07
Griff Kendrick '53 2/18/08
Joseph Scott Grant '50 1/07/08
Nellie Pear West '48 12/21/07
Robert Wheeler '48/Curator 3/5/08
Lettie Fenderson '46 4/4/08
Nolene Stark Huntley '43 4/27/08
Rosemary Couch '70 4/27/08
Billy Bradshaw Mallory '57 5/21/08
Clara Bryant - Employee 12/1/07
Lynn Groves Routt* 3/17/08
Margaret E. Gangwish* 3/9/08
James Bode* 1/31/08
Mark Fleischmann* 1/29/08
Dr. Howard Nunnelly* 11/8/07
Theibert Smith* 12/13/07
Reginald B. Jones* 1/22/08

* Indicates persons who have attended, but not graduated from LU
Jeremy Bradley ('07)

After graduating from Lincoln University, Jeremy Bradley ('07) created Malcolm Charles Consulting, a leadership diversity forum, which allowed him to speak at national and international conferences, including the National Association of Student Affairs Professionals and the International Conference on Virginia Woolf. Immediately after graduation, Jeremy worked with the Convention and Visitor’s Bureau on boosting economic development within the Jefferson City community.

Jeremy currently works with the Thurgood Marshall College Fund (TMCF) in New York City as Development Coordinator. TMCF represents 47 public Historically Black Colleges and Universities. At TMCF, he works within corporate relations to facilitate sponsorships for the fund’s Annual Leadership Institute, Member Universities’ conference and talent sourcing program. Jeremy is also responsible for coordinating the contribution finance receivables on a day-to-day basis.

“I believe that Lincoln helped contribute to my success by teaching me how to dress and speak professionally and how to network with others. The experiences I had at Lincoln prepared me to work in the Financial District of New York by showing me that in life there are always going to be challenges, but that with the right amount of support and self-confidence, any challenge can become a success story.”

James A. Howard ('97)

Reverend James A. Howard, Jr. ('97) has worked in the Office of Student Accounts at Lincoln University for ten years. He served as Third Party Coordinator for 9 years and recently became Student Accounts Coordinator. He enjoys this position because it affords him the opportunity to help young people. James says that his love, concern and dedication to LU students positioned him to mentor and befriend many students. He is a member of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.; the Graduate Campus Activity Board, and advisor for Sigma Gamma Rho; LU Gospel Choir and several other student organizations on campus. Reverend Howard also serves on the newly formed Staff Council.

In addition to his responsibilities on campus, he has been the proud pastor of One in Christ Baptist Church in Jefferson City for nearly 2 years and is known to most as “Rev” or “Pastor.” Pastor Howard has been married for thirteen years to Mary and they have four children. Reverend Howard can be found on Tuesday evenings in Dawson Hall conducting campus bible study.

Jeff Hoelscher ('97)

Currently a candidate for the Eastern District Cole County Commissioner, Jeff Hoelscher, received his Bachelor of Science in Agriculture Business and attributes his confidence and leadership abilities to what he learned as a member of Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE). These two organizations in particular, along with the knowledgeable professors at Lincoln, helped instill core concepts about marketing, economics, entrepreneurship, and business ethics that have carried over to my career. Students at Lincoln University are recognized as individuals. It is a small enough University that every student is given the opportunity to develop and focus on their unique talents. This sets Lincoln apart from other colleges and helps produce successful, competent graduates. Ultimately, Lincoln gave me the skills I needed to become a successful, responsible business professional. I know Lincoln will continue going above and beyond to educate students and become an important milestone on the road to success for future graduates.

Looking back, I realize that I am indebted to Lincoln University for the valuable lessons I learned inside and outside the classroom. Lincoln has given me vital tools that have contributed to my success in my career and life after graduation. While in school, I was involved in a few of the amazing extracurricular programs offered, including Delta Epsilon Chi (DEX) and Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE). These two organizations in particular, along with the knowledgeable professors at Lincoln, helped instill core concepts about marketing, economics, entrepreneurship, and business ethics that have carried over to my career. Students at Lincoln University are recognized as individuals. It is a small enough University that every student is given the opportunity to develop and focus on their unique talents. This sets Lincoln apart from other colleges and helps produce successful, competent graduates. Ultimately, Lincoln gave me the skills I needed to become a successful, responsible business professional. I know Lincoln will continue going above and beyond to educate students and become an important milestone on the road to success for future graduates.
Raymond Klutse ('04) was born 31 years ago in Accra, Ghana, on the western coast of Africa. At the age of 24, he traveled to the United States to pursue an advanced education. In 2004, Raymond received his MBA and earned a 3.4 G.P.A. Upon graduating he continued his work at Days Inn in Jefferson City and KRCG-TV in Holts Summit. After a year and two years respectively working at both jobs, Raymond decided he wanted a career in global and foreign affairs and to begin his endeavors, he joined the United States Army in September 2004. As a result, Raymond became a United States citizen. When asked about his thoughts of becoming a citizen, Lt. Klutse stated, “I was in high spirits and very emotional to have become an American. While I was leading the Pledge of Allegiance during the ceremony, I was so moved with emotions and tears that words couldn’t describe. I felt so proud and humbled at the same time as I said the words of the Pledge of Allegiance. I take it very personal. I now feel a sense of responsibility for defending and protecting this country of which I am a proud citizen, The United States of America.”

Currently, Raymond, his wife Brandy Moore Klutse ('02), Miss LU 2001-02, and their two-year old daughter Rayna, are stationed with the 6-9 Armor Reconnaissance Squadron, 1st Cavalry Division at Fort Hood Texas. He has been deployed to Germany, Kuwait and Qatar as well as other military posts across the United States to include Fort Benning- GA, Fort Jackson-SC, Fort Knox-KY, and Fort Sill-OK. His platoon of 30 personnel is training up for their next deployment to stay the course of defending this country.

Raymond attributes part of his success to the professors of the School of Business who provided lectures and material that he is able to apply to his present day career. Struggling to pay school fees by working graveyard shifts at Scholastic, Raymond believes without the support of the financial aid administration he would not have graduated on time. Raymond comments, “Lincoln University in Jefferson City, Missouri, will always be my place of residence here in America no matter where I travel because it is the first place I resided upon stepping foot onto this great land and where I met my life long partner.”

Malfatti-Rachell and Mitchell Honored

Mrs. Gabrielle Malfatti-Rachell, Assistant Professor of Spanish and Latin American Studies and Mrs. Charlene Mitchell, Professor Emeritus, were honored at the 9th annual Zonta Yellow Rose luncheon April 29 at the Capitol Plaza Hotel. Malfatti-Rachell and Mitchell were among the eleven women honored for their professional and civic contributions to the mid Missouri area. Zonta, a Sioux Indian word, means honest and trustworthy. Zonta, Jefferson City is one of 1200 clubs in 67 countries. The Zonta club in Jefferson City has more than 75 members. The quest speaker was Maxine Clarke, CEO and founder of the Build a Bear Workshop. Each honoree received a certificate from Zonta Club and a bear from Maxine Clark. Later that afternoon, Maxine Clark and associates met with LU administrators and toured the campus.
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Correction:
In a previous letter sent to the class of ’73, Esther Nall was erroneously listed as deceased. We are happy to report that she is alive and well.
The newly elected officers of the Lincoln University Board of Curators were sworn in for the 2008 calendar year by Supreme Court Justice William Price. The officers will serve a one year term. This year’s officers are: President, Rodney J. Boyd; Vice President, Dana T. Cutler; Secretary, Gurnie C. Gunter; and Treasurer, Marvin O. Teer, Jr.

Other members currently serving on the Lincoln University Board of Curators include Cynthia Blosser, Jefferson City, Iris G. Ferguson, St. Louis, Greg S. Gaffke, Jefferson City, and John M. Parker of Jefferson City.

Rodney J. Boyd - President

Boyd obtained a J.D. degree from the University of Missouri, School of Law, Columbia, and a B.S. in Criminal Justice from Lincoln University in 1993. He currently serves as a partner at Sonnenschein, Nath & Rosenthal Law Firm in St. Louis, MO. Boyd formerly owned and operated the Law Offices of Rodney J. Boyd and Governmental Relations. He has served as an Assistant City Counselor for the Law Department, and as an Assistant City Counselor for the Prosecution Division for the City of St. Louis. From 1994-1995 Boyd served as a Legal Intern for the City Counselor’s Office. Rodney J. Boyd, a resident of St. Louis, Missouri, was appointed to the Board of Curators in March 2005.

Dana T. Cutler - Vice President

Cutler graduated Cum Laude with a B.A. degree from Spelman College, Atlanta, Ga., and earned the J.D. degree from the University of Missouri, Kansas City, MO. She is a partner with James W. Tippin & Associates in Kansas City. She is a member of the American Bar Association, the National Bar Association, the Missouri Bar Association, the Jackson County Bar Association, and the Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association. Cutler received the Missouri Bar’s President’s Award in 2000 and 2001, and was an elected as a member of the Missouri Bar’s Board of Governors in 2003. Dana T. Cutler, Kansas City, began serving on the Board after being appointed by Governor Matt Blunt in April 2006.

Gurnie C. Gunter - Secretary

Gunter received a B.S. degree from Lincoln University, a B.S. degree and M.S degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Illinois, Champaign, Ill., the M.S. degree in Military Science from Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and a Master of Business Administration Management from Shippensburg University, Shippensburg, Pa., and is a graduate of the United States Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, PA. Gunter has served as the Director of Water Services, City Engineer, Manager of Street Maintenance; and Principal Assistant to the Director of Economic Development, Kansas City, MO. Gunter’s professional experience with the U.S. Military includes serving as a U.S. Army Colonel, District Engineer-U.S. Army Corp of Engineers, Kansas City, MO, Deputy Division Engineer –Middle East Division, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, District Engineer-U.S. Army Corp of Engineers, Jidda, Saudia Arabia. Gurnie C. Gunter, Kansas City, was appointed to the Board in November 2005.

Marvin O. Teer - Treasurer

Teer earned a B.S. degree from Lincoln University in 1985 and the J.D. degree from the University of Missouri, School of Law, Columbia. He currently serves as a St. Louis Municipal Judge for the City of St. Louis and maintains a private law practice. Teer previously served as Assistant City Counselor, City of St. Louis, Assistant Attorney General-Special Prosecutor, Eastern District of Missouri; Commission Counsel, Supreme Court of Missouri, Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General, Jefferson City, and as a Litigation Attorney for a private law firm in St. Louis. Teer is a member of the Missouri Bar Association, the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis, and the Mound City Bar Association. Marvin O. Teer, Jr., St. Louis, has served on the Board for two years.
Board Actions - February 7, 2008
1. Elected Officers for 2008
   President, Curator Rodney J. Boyd; Vice President, Curator Dana T. Curler; Secretary, Curator Gurnie C. Gunter; Treasurer, Curator Marvin O. Teer, Jr.
2. Approved the Lincoln University 2008-2012 Strategic Plan “Shared Values, Shared Goals.”
3. Approved the recommendation to increase room rates for housing on campus.
4. Approved a contract with Southwest for Bid Package #1 in the amount of $250,495 and Bid Package #2 in the amount of $113,993 for the New Residence Hall Furniture.
5. Approved a contract with GBH Builders, Inc. for the reduced base bid in the amount of $284,936 for the President's Residence Restoration Project.
6. Approved a contract with GBH Builders, Inc. for the base bid and alternates in the amount of $508,950 for Richardson Auditorium seating replacement and renovation.
7. Approved a contract with Weathercraft, Inc. for the base bids totaling $127,777 for the Founders Hall roofing project.
8. Approved a contract with Environmental Engineering Inc. for the base bid in the amount of $126,500 for the Founders Hall cooling tower Replacement Project.

Board Actions - April 17, 2008
1. Approved the request for a New Program for Degree/Certificate – Bachelor of Science Degree in Social Work.
2. Approved the Student Code of Conduct.
3. Approved the recommendation that Aetna Student Health provide student health insurance for the 2008-2009 academic year.
5. Approved the recommendation for a 3.3% increase in tuition and incidental fees (rounded to the nearest half dollar) effective 2008 fall semester.
6. Approved the recommendation to install a plaque recognizing the vision of former President David B. Henson at the Soldiers’ Memorial Plaza.
7. Approved the list of candidates for the various Associate, Baccalaureate and Master’s degrees to be awarded at the May 10, 2008 Commencement, pending successful completion of all requirements and finalization of all other obligations to the University.
8. Approved the recommendation to award an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters (LHD) to Dr. Boyce Williams during the May 10, 2008 Commencement.

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Published Pieces
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The Echo from Dealey Plaza
by Abraham Bolden, Sr.

Abraham Bolden was a young African American Secret Service agent working in Chicago when, at a chance meeting with John F. Kennedy on April 28, 1961, the President asked him if we would like to be the first “Negro” to serve on the White House detail. For Bolden, a former Pinkerton detective and Illinois State Trooper, it was a dream come true, a sign of the new America epitomized by the charismatic president.

But in the thirty-five days that Bolden spent that summer guarding Kennedy in Hyannis and Washington, his idealism was quickly tempered by the unabashedly racist culture—and incompetence—that characterized the White House detail. He was the butt of racist jokes and race-baiting. Written in the first person, this is a powerful saga of justice miscarried, of a man who paid dearly for the courage of his convictions, who fervently believed in the dream of justice for all that John Kennedy exemplified, and in spite of his nightmareish odyssey, never lost his faith in America.

Abraham Bolden (’56) graduated cum laude from Lincoln University in Jefferson City, Missouri, with a B.A. in music composition. He served in the U.S. Secret Service from 1960 to 1964. Bolden now lives in Chicago and is retired after working for thirty years in the field of quality-control supervision.

Round Trip
by Shamontiel L. Vaughn

Approximately 70% of all newly diagnosed HIV-positive patients are African American women, and the percentage for African American males is steadily rising. In Shamontiel L. Vaughn’s novel, Round Trip, she takes on the subject of AIDS from college students’ perspective.

Four years of relationships, pledging, classes, finals, partying, and friendship is what three of “Change for a Twenty’s” characters reminisce on while planning their college graduation. This is Memo’s, Arnez’s, and Jermaine’s time to collect caps and gowns, pursue their careers, and celebrate their success. However, Memo is trying to pursue a relationship with Seleste while dealing with the issues of his corrupt cop father being released from prison. Jermaine has decided to propose to Cara, but she can’t seem to decide between him and Arnez. Arnez is still flirting and floating away, but now he has to deal with rumors on campus that could ruin his swagger. With a potential wedding in Atlanta, a graduation in Chicago, and some unfinished business in the boroughs of New York, their journeys are nonstop.

Shamontiel L. Vaughn (’03) graduated with a Bachelor of Art in English. She was born and raised in Chicago, where she is currently a full-time Assistant Copyeditor, a freelance journalist of over 100 published articles, four poems and four short stories.
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Photo (L to R): Keyshawn Lugrand, Carlin Hafiz, Kimberly Jones, Brandy McGhee, and Bob Coleman.
The chapter members displayed their cooperative spirit by attending a production of the Messiah, performed in December, by Greater Bethesda Chancel Choir, under the direction of alumna Janet Underwood; as well as by their participation in the Annual Christmas Scholarship Gala and auction chaired by Teresa Knight. The auction generated additional funds for scholarships.

The Chicago Chapter began the 2008 year with a pledged consensus to explore additional revenue streams to enhance its Scholarship Fund. The Chapter distributed the first Chicago Chapter Commemorative Calendar, a scholarship fundraiser chaired by T. Knight and a four-member-committee O. Bradford, E. Dabney and C. Newton. Our Chapter applauded Louis Farris Robinson and family when they were named 2008 Lincoln University Family of the Year at the Founders Day Convocation Celebration and Luncheon. Out in full force, retired Chapter members attended the Lincoln University Vocal Ensemble concert at Chicago’s Kenwood Academy and Morgan Park High School. A reception for the choir was held at the home of Dr. Herbert Ellis. Otto Bradford represented the Chapter at the 2008 Mid Winter Board Meeting. In addition, he had the opportunity to visit the President’s Residence Building Project and attend the sixth Annual President’s Awards Recognition Gala.

Remaining events for the year will include, A Reclamation Heritage Celebration Golden Anniversary of Ebony Magazine coverage of “LU: The School Too Good to Die,” March 1958; participation in 2008 Homecoming/Convention and the annual Christmas dinner.
**LU Vocal Ensemble**

The Lincoln University Vocal Ensemble (LUVE) embarked upon its annual Spring Choir Tour on March 9, with scheduled performances in four midwestern states. Under the direction of Michelle Gamblin-Greene, Assistant Professor/Director of Choirs, members of the LUVE spent their spring break performing a wide genre of musical works at area high schools in Chicago, Illinois, and Tulsa, Oklahoma. The group also stopped at local churches in Kansas City, Missouri, and Indianapolis, Indiana. This year’s tour program included works by Kirby Shaw, Russ Robinson, Bach-Guonod, Antonio Lucio Vivaldi and Giulio Caccini. Each performance presented an opportunity for LUVE members to showcase their numerous talents. In addition, LU alums in attendance during the performances were invited to join in the singing of the university alma mater. Thirty-two students participated in the tour which takes place every spring semester in March. Rhonda Harper, Director of Bands, also traveled with the ensemble in an effort to recruit high school students.

**Homecoming Theme Winner**

After dozens of entries and much deliberation, the Homecoming Committee has selected the theme for Homecoming 2008. Lillie Smith Abbott (’72) submitted the winning idea, “Reminisce, Reunite, Reconnect”. Abbott will receive recognition at the Homecoming Spirit Rally on Friday, October 10 at the Scruggs University Center Amphitheater. She will also be featured in the Homecoming Parade through the campus district and downtown Jefferson City, on Saturday, October 11. Abbott and a guest will also receive VIP seating at the Homecoming Football Game at Dwight T. Reed Stadium.

The Homecoming Committee would like to thank the alumni, faculty, staff and students who submitted theme ideas.
All alumni choir members are encouraged to participate. If interested, please complete the form and mail to:

Mr. Robert L. Mitchell, Sr.
4208 Pinehurst Ct.
Jefferson City, Mo. 65109
(573) 635- 5929
Rmitch2550@mchsi.com

(Please complete the form below)

Name: ________________________________

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Please circle your “Voice” preference:

- Soprano
- Alto
- Tenor
- Bass

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Lincoln University Students from the period 1960-1973

To participate in a research project about the historic events occurring at Lincoln University and in Jefferson City during the period 1960-1973.

For further information about how to participate contact:

DR. JEFF SCHWEHN
1969 LINCOLN GRADUATE AT
vjschwehn@comcast.net
OR CALL
(505) 522-1217

Information in the form of photographs and memorabilia are also needed.
Sir Francis Bacon said, “Knowledge is power.” In that case, Musa Wakhungu Olaka is becoming more powerful everyday. A doctoral candidate at the University of Missouri-Columbia, Olaka hopes to use the practical experience he is achieving at Lincoln University’s Inman E. Page Library to rebuild libraries and library programs in Rwanda, a country devastated by ethnic genocide. Upon the completion of his studies in 2010, Olaka will return to Rwanda to become the country’s only librarian to earn a doctorate’s degree in library and information sciences.

Olaka and his friends contacted professors in the Library Studies Department at Kenyatta University, and learned that only 21 students would be admitted to the program. Olaka toured the department before making a final decision. Impressed with what he heard, Olaka submitted admission materials and secured one of the program’s two remaining spots.

Four years later, Olaka completed his undergraduate studies and began entertaining the thought of pursuing a master’s degree. Once again, the option to obtain an advanced degree in library sciences beat out any other possible areas of academic study.

Olaka had no idea that his studies could have a profound effect on an entire country. As Rwanda was facing a librarian shortage the result of the ethnic genocide that occurred from 1993 through 1999, libraries across the country faced the immediate danger of being closed. In an effort to boost Rwanda’s number of qualified librarians, armed with the power of his education, Olaka established a library training school at Rwanda’s Kigali Institute. Since 2000, the Kigali Institute has matriculated more than 60 students who have earned an Associate Degree in Library Sciences.

Olaka’s goal to create an accredited library sciences program at the Kigali Institute led him to the front door of the University of Missouri-Columbia’s Library and Information Science Department. As part of his doctorate program, Olaka secured employment at Inman E. Page Library earlier this year and is receiving credit toward his degree through the F-1 Visa’s Curricular Practical Training Program. Olaka currently commutes from Columbia to Jefferson City to

One Man’s Crusade — Making a Difference in Rwanda

Olaka says librarians and libraries themselves hold little respect in some African countries. A lack of Africans entering the library sciences field has not only inspired Olaka to change the way Rwandans view libraries, but also to provide more avenues in which to receive the education needed to enter the field.

“The attitude towards librarians in my country was very negative,” Olaka reflects. “Librarians were seen as inferior because they had not received the proper training.”

When Olaka first considered pursuing his degree, his original plan was to become an educator. What some would consider a brush with fate while selecting his coursework soon led him to change his life’s direction.

“When I joined the university, I wanted to become a teacher. I was looking for courses to choose, and I thought I would become a physical education teacher,” says Olaka. “My friends and I were selecting courses, and we accidentally came across a flyer on the notice board, indicating that the university wanted people to register for library studies…and we thought, gosh why don’t we try this one.”
maintain his two-day-a-week schedule. Elizabeth Briscoe Wilson, University Librarian says Olaka’s assistance has added to the library’s overall environment.

“We were looking for someone to help us with our backlog. A position was created and we are thrilled that he is able to help out,” says Wilson.

“We know that he is working to make a difference in Rwanda, where access to information is a matter of life and death. It was important to us to show that Lincoln has the ability to help and provide assistance to these countries,” adds Wilson.

Olaka says his experiences at Page Library have afforded him the opportunity to receive the training necessary to have a positive impact on future Rwandan librarians and libraries.

Scholastic’s Lincoln University Graduates
Celebrating 40 years of Scholastic service to Jefferson City 1968-2008.

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The ranks of Lincoln University alumni increased by 405 with the conclusion of the 2007-2008 academic year. A total of 184 students earned degrees during Commencement exercises held in December 2007. Degrees were awarded to 221 students in May 2008.

Dr. James Frank (’53), 14th President of Lincoln University, delivered the Commencement address and Dr. Boyce C. Williams received an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters.

For December, the top three bachelor’s degrees totals were in the areas of nursing, business administration and computer science. Nursing and business administration were the top two most pursued degrees for May undergraduates, with a tie for third among agriculture and liberal studies majors.
D. C. Students Get Excited about LU

Jerome Offord (’93), former SGA President, and Latasha Solomon (’05), Miss Lincoln University 2004-05, returned to campus with 6 students from Washington D. C. who will attend Lincoln University this fall. Ms. Solomon, who works as a guidance counselor at Spingarn Senior High School, thought that Lincoln would be a great fit for her students after conducting post-secondary surveys.

Offord and Solomon created an incentive to the students. An acceptance letter equaled a visit to the campus of Lincoln University. The students were accepted and the group raised money through donations from Spingarn faculty and DC community members. Jerome Offord paid for the transportation to and from the airport and treated the students to dinner.

While at Lincoln, the students attended classes, ate in the student union, met with various athletic coaches, toured the residence halls, and spoke with a panel of current students. The students submitted their residence hall contracts, financial aid paperwork, and learned from alumni the proper way to prepare for college. The students agreed that the highlights of the trip were having a personal conversation with President Dr. Carolyn R. Mahoney and buying Lincoln paraphernalia in the bookstore. Their majors range from education to engineering.

All of the students are involved in extra curricular activities and plan to continue at Lincoln. Shayna Anderson wants to cheer for the Blue Tigers; James Gurley and Rodney Alston plan to take charge of the gridiron; Purnell Russell plans on showing off his speed with the track and field team; and Alyssa Howard is excited about ROTC and Dance Troupe. Overall, the trip was a life changing experience for these students and great homecoming for LaTasha and Jerome. Special thanks to Roxanne Seindor and the Admissions staff for the wonderful hospitality.

Black College Dance Exchange Conference

Lincoln University celebrated the art of dance in early April by serving as host to the 27th Annual Black College Dance Exchange (BCDE) Conference. The BCDE is a coalition of dancers from Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs), which extends its services to black college dance companies, black dance companies, private studios, community groups and other organizations. The BCDE has been bringing dancers together from around the country at its annual conference since 1984.

This year’s participants had the opportunity to learn, perform and socialize with dancers from HBCUs and other universities around the country. Students from Alabama State University, Chicago State University, Fisk University, Middle Tennessee State University, Morgan State University, Norfolk State University, North Carolina Central University, Prairie View A & M, Texas Southern University and Virginia Commonwealth University converged on the LU campus to partake in master course training which featured a variety of dance styles and teaching techniques. This year’s event kicked off with an opening ceremony at the Missouri State Capitol Building and concluded with performances by student-dancers and the professional dance company, Deeply Rooted.

The BCDE was founded in 1982, with the intent to provide dance training in the form of a one-day festival. Over the years, the concept has grown to include a weekend-long event during the second weekend in April. Artistic Director for the Lincoln University Dance Troupe, Theressa Ferguson served as the campus liaison for the conference. In addition to her duties as the Assistant to the President for Academic Success and Student Retention, Ferguson also serves as the secretary to the Black College Dance Exchange Board of Officers.
KJLU Receives Accolades

KJLU, the public radio voice of Lincoln University, captured three awards during the 2008 Black College Radio Conference, held in Atlanta, Georgia, this spring. Station personnel earned honors in two individual categories. Program Director Dan “The Hitman” Turner was named Program Director of the Year. Graduate Student Nikita McCree walked away with the News and Public Affairs Director of the Year award. The station also was recognized as the Station with the Most Community Involvement.

The three awards are part of an ever-expanding list of accolades for the station. Most recently, the station was awarded the Missouri Public Health Association’s Media Award in October 2007 for its work on the association’s teen abstinence campaign. The station staff and students have also earned several Millennium Awards for excellence in broadcasting. KJLU has been on the air since August 1973, when it operated under the call letters KLUM. The station’s main format is jazz, but it also offers R&B/Hip-Hop, Big Band, Blues, Reggae and Gospel programming. The station operates from 6 a.m. to 12 midnight, seven days a week. KJLU can be heard online from anywhere in the world at www.kjlu.com

Strategic Plan 2008-2012

Lincoln University Makes Plans for the Future

In early summer 2007, a group of 28 faculty, staff, students and administrators began the task of drafting a strategic plan to guide Lincoln University through the next five years. After working through eight months, “Shared Values, Shared Goals: The Lincoln University 2008-2012 Strategic Plan” was presented to, and approved by, the Lincoln University Board of Curators at the February 2008 meeting.

While the committee was charged with creating the plan, the 18-page document was the result of input from the Lincoln University family, friends and local community leaders. Alumni, faculty, staff, students, as well as business and civic leaders from Jefferson City, provided valuable insight into their perceptions of the University of today and their suggested vision for the University of the future.

Using this data, the committee developed a list of six key goals for the next five years. These goals are: Communications and Marketing; Academic Quality Improvement; Resource Management; Enrollment and Matriculation; Extension and Outreach; and Accountability.

The strategic planning process was a University-wide exercise. While the committee worked to develop a plan to guide the University overall, the individual units drafted unit specific plans. The committee was able to yield objectives and strategies from these plans that will enable the University to meet its goals.

“Shared Values, Shared Goals: The Lincoln University 2008-2012 Strategic Plan” is available for viewing online at www.lincolnlu.edu/Files/cairp/StrategicPlan.pdf.
Lincoln University was host to the 4th Annual Mr. HBCU Leadership Conference and Competition in February. The conference included educational sessions on Etiquette for Men, Financial Fitness, and Successful Resume Writing/Job Hunting Tips. On Friday evening the Kings, advisors and guests attended a reception at the Governor’s Mansion. Kings from Bowie State University, Delaware State University, Elizabeth City State University, LeMoyne-Owen College, Morgan State University, University Maryland Eastern Shore, and Winston Salem State University participated in the conference and competition.

The three day event concluded with a production and competition that showcased the oratorical skills and talents of the participants. Mr. Lincoln University, Brent Harris, served as Master of Ceremony and the official host of the event. Mr. LeMoyne-Owen College, Jerome Heard, was crowned Mr. HBCU 2008-09 and named Mr. Oratory; Mr. Bowie State University, Devin Tillman, received 1st Runner-up; Mr. University Of Maryland Eastern Shore, Harold Fowler, received 2nd Runner-up; Mr. Elizabeth City University, William Allen Thomas, was named Mr. Talent; Mr. Lincoln University, PA, Milan Carter, was voted Mr. Congeniality. Participating Queens were Tasha Askew, Miss Delaware State University; Lisa Beasley, Miss LeMoyne-Owen College; Carissa Harrison, Miss Morgan State University. Ajia Williams, Miss Lincoln University of Missouri, arranged for the queens to do a community service project at East Elementary School and relax at the spa.

The production was coordinated by Mr. Ledell Watts. Other committee members include Lincoln University alumni: Dawn Collins, Ryan Wilson, Linda Wright, James Howard, Gwendolyn Edmondson, W.T. Edmondson, Andrew Thomas, Kip Neblett, Willie Beatty, the Student Government Association Executive Board, Campus Activity Board, Student Alumni Association and Benecia Spencer Williams, founder.

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GSE Brazil Rotary Visits Lincoln University

The GSE Brazil Rotary Team visited the Soldiers’ Memorial Plaza and Page Library while touring Jefferson City Tuesday, April 22. Team members Adeildo Pereira dos Santos Filho, Raquel Muniz Maia, Patricia Lopes de Oliveira and their team leader Jose Augusto da Silva were greeted at the Memorial by Dr. Annette Digby, VP Academic Affairs; Sheila Gassner, Director, Design and Construction and Benecia Williams, Director, Alumni Affairs. Dr. Digby welcomed the team members on behalf of Dr. Mahoney and Sheila Gassner told the visitors the story of the Memorial. The tour continued to Page Library and culminated with the rich history of Lincoln University, the 62 and 65th Infantries and a tour of the library guided by Mrs. Elizabeth Briscoe Wilson, University Librarian. While in Jefferson City the team also visited the Capitol, Supreme Court and enjoyed Arris Pizza.
**AROUND CAMPUS**

**GradFest**
The Office of Alumni Affairs in cooperation with Nebraska Book Company and Jostens sponsored GradFest, a one stopping event for May graduates on March 19. Student Accounts, Records, Financial Aid and Continuing Education Departments participated. Graduates had the opportunity to purchase class rings, measure for caps and gowns and enjoy the refreshments. GradFest is held prior to each graduation.

**Good Afternoon JC**
Good news about Lincoln University was shared with approximately 200 luncheon guests at Good Afternoon Jefferson City, a JC Chamber of Commerce sponsored event, on May 5. Miss and Mr. LU 2008-09 and Stripes, the Blue Tiger, delivered the “Good News.” Dr. Bickel, Mr. Kosher, Mrs. Ferguson, Mrs. Young, and Mrs. B. Williams attended the luncheon.
First Annual Ida Ballard Simon Memorial Golf Tournament
Submitted by Theresa Perkins
The First Annual Ida Ballard Simon Memorial Golf Tournament began at 8:30 am on April 26 with 8 teams teeing off on a crisp, breezy morning. The tournament honored the late Ida Ballard Simon, former graduate and Vice President of Advancement at Lincoln University and graduate of Carver High School in Memphis. “Ida was a champion of education, said event planner and sister, Cheryl Ballard. “She encouraged my siblings and me to pursue and education beyond high school.”

“Ida came to Lincoln with no money and graduated with honors,” said former classmate, Joe Johnson. “She passionately wanted to give back.” The tournament raised $7,000 for the Ida Ballard Simon Memorial Scholarship Fund, which was presented to the current Vice President of Advancement at Lincoln University, Arthur Brooks.

“Our first tournament was a very successful event and I am very proud. It will be even better next year,” said Cheryl Ballard. Organizers are targeting the last Saturday in April for the 2009 tournament. All proceeds from the Ida Ballard Simon Memorial Golf Tournament and Scholarship Fund will benefit Carver High School graduates of Memphis who attend Lincoln University in Jefferson City, Missouri.

2008 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

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Naming The New Residence Hall

Lincoln University is accepting nominations for naming the New Residence Hall currently under construction located at 800 Locust Street, Jefferson City, Missouri. For more information and nomination criteria, please visit the Lincoln University Design and Construction website at http://www.lincolnu.edu/pages/192.asp or call 573-681-5084. Nominations must be submitted in a formal written letter with supporting documentation to Chair of Naming the New Residence Hall Committee, Design and Construction, Young Hall Room 309, P.O. Box 29, Jefferson City, Missouri, 65102-0029, by close of business on July 31, 2008.
Lincoln University acquired the home located at 601 Jackson Street in 1965 for the purpose of providing a residence close to the campus for the president of the University. The Preservation of the President’s Residence Building Project seeks to complete modifications necessary to reopen the residence to support its original purpose of being the President’s Residence for Lincoln University.

The residence, currently listed as a historic landmark for the City of Jefferson, meets eligibility criteria to be listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Architecturally, the style of the residence is French Eclectic, which is a rare example of the style locally. Its tall, steeply pitched roof and rusticated stone exterior veneer are typical of the style.

I/We enclosed a gift to the Preservation of the President’s Residence Building Project.

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March 6 - 9, 2009

Please join the Atlanta Alumni Chapter for 4 days and 3 nights of fun in the Rocky Mountains of Aspen, Colorado. Packages for skiers and non-skiers.

Ski and Snowboarding includes:
- Transportation from Denver
- 3 nights accommodations
- Lift tickets for Keystone and Aspen
- Hot Springs Pool & Spa
- Welcome reception
- Breakfast/select meals
- Refreshments
  $800.00

Non-Ski includes:
- Transportation from Denver
- 3 nights accommodations
- Hot Springs Pool & Spa
- Sightseeing
- Shopping
- Welcome reception
- Breakfast/select meals
- Refreshments
  $550.00

Beginners includes:
- Transportation from Denver
- 3 nights accommodations
- Lift tickets for Aspen
- Ski lessons
- Hot Springs Pool & Spa
- Sightseeing
- Shopping
- Welcome reception
- Breakfast/select meals
- Refreshments
  $800.00

Alumni, Family and Friends are responsible for their own transportation to Denver and hotel for Thursday and Monday night. Host hotel and detailed information will be included in registration packet. All hotel accommodations are double occupancy.

Other activities available for additional charge: Cross-country skiing, Ice Skating and Hockey, Scenic Gondola Rides, Sleigh Rides, Snowmobiling, Snowshoeing and Tubing.

Payment dates:
Skiers/Beginners: September 15 - $200.00, October 15 - $200.00, November 15 - $200.00, and December 15 - $200.00
Non-skiers: September 15 - $200.00, October 15 - $125.00, November 15 - $125.00, and December 15 - $100.00

For additional information: Register@www.luatalumni.org
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