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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

As I prepare this letter we have concluded our annual Charter Day, have celebrated our namesake's 210th birthday, and are fast approaching the mid-point of the spring semester here at Lincoln College.

While Lincoln's remark, "I am a slow walker, but I never walk back," might be apocryphal, the sentiment is genuine and provides inspiration for our unwavering march toward a future of growth and prosperity here at Lincoln College. A future that owes its success to the support of our generous alumni.

In recent months, we have taken some big steps toward that future

One of the most significant was the establishment of the MacKinnon School of Business, here at Lincoln College. The school takes its name from Alexander "Sandy" MacKinnon, a 1960 alumnus who went on to a distinguished and successful career in business.

The new school consolidates all of our business programs, both those on the main residential campus in Lincoln and on the various satellite campuses that constitute our Accelerated Bridge to Education (ABE) program for adult students.

Sandy is the perfect inspiration for our business school, not simply because of his success, but because the ethical, customer-focused approach that guided him throughout his career and earned him a well-deserved reputation for business integrity serves as the perfect inspiration for future generations of Lincoln College business school graduates.

We are continuing to add new baccalaureate degree programs, with a new bachelor of law degree next on the

list. Even more exciting, our first master's degrees – in Business Administration and Organizational Leadership – are under review by the Higher Learning Commission.

One of the most exciting developments is the establishment of a visiting student program for students from partner institutions in China and India. We recently hosted a visit by Dr. Kevin Xing Wang, director of the International Office of Shenyang Jianzhu University. Dr. Wang's visit was an outgrowth of a similar visit to Shenyang Jianzhu University in December by Dr. Hamin Shabazz, vice president for academic affairs, and Dr. Jonathon Pierce, division chair of the MacKinnon School of Business at Lincoln College.

We hope to host between ten to twenty
Chinese and Indian students
beginning next fall. Lincoln
College's central Illinois location

College's central Illinois location has been identified as a key opportunity for Chinese and Indian students interested in an immersive experience in the United States.

We opened the Human
Performance Laboratory in the
Lincoln Center. Our exercise
science students now have the
benefits of the latest equipment
and the personal attention that
only a small college can provide. Our

Exercise Science program is proving to be a major incentive for attracting and retaining students. One of our Olympic swim team's swimmers was fully intending to transfer after receiving her associate degree last year, but decided over the summer that she was not ready to surrender the Lincoln College experience.

Our programs are gaining recognition from other prestigious institutions. The world-renowned Field Museum partnered with our Conservation Biology program to conduct major field research on endangered Monarch Butterfly habitat.

The road is long and we face many challenges. The higher education environment today is perilous – one recent report listed nearly two-dozen liberal arts colleges that have closed or been forced to consolidate in the past two years. We do not have the advantages of taxpayer-funding and massive endowments that larger institutions enjoy.

We are further challenged by our mission to provide highquality education to first-generation college students, students of limited means who have persevered despite challenging backgrounds, and students from both rural and urban areas who have the potential to excel in an environment that offers personalized attention, small class sizes and a supportive environment.

Thanks to all of you who are helping us meet this mission.

Sincerely

Dail M. Seebort

EMPOWER CAMPAIGN UPDATE

In July 2017, LC launched the public phase of the \$8 million "Embracing our Past, Empowering our Future" Campaign for Lincoln College. As the current fiscal year-end approaches,

we are almost there!

As we go to press, we are very pleased to announce that the Embracing our Past, Empowering our Future Campaign for Lincoln College has reached more than \$7.07 million, closing in on our goal of \$8 million by June 30.

We can't let up now!

Think your contribution won't make a difference? Think again! By far the majority of our contributions have been small amounts that add up to big dollars. Of course, if you'd like to write a single check to help us blow through that goal, we'd welcome that. But, every investment, no matter how modest, is important to reach our goal.

At this point, every dollar helps move us closer!

All new gifts – cash, stock, pledges – recorded by June 30, 2019 will count toward the EMPOWER Campaign. Will yours be the contribution that puts us over the finish line?

We thank all of our supporters, both those who have already given and those who will be giving in the coming weeks. Remember, you are investing in the future by helping build the next generation of leaders.















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Mail—send your gift in the convenient envelope inside this issue of the Log,





After delivering the keynote address at Commencement in May, honored alumnus Alex "Sandy" MacKinnon '60 returned to campus in September to attend a ceremony announcing the establishment of the MacKinnon School of Business at Lincoln College.

Sandy was joined by his wife,
Sandy, many College Trustees,
Business Division faculty, students
and friends for the unveiling of
the plaque and signage for the
MacKinnon School of Business.
Located in Gehlbach Hall, the
MacKinnon School of Business
includes a collaborative work
space for business students, with
large screen televisions installed
so that students can monitor
stock markets and business news.

Sandy '60 and Sandy MacKinnon

"I can't think of a better role model for our business students," said Lincoln College President David Gerlach. "In the early 1980s, he

"In the early 1980s, he took over a business that had gone bankrupt not once, but twice, and turned it into one of the most successful heavy equipment dealerships in the country. Along the way, he earned a reputation for integrity that led to numerous honors for business ethics and leadership."

Giving LC's business programs a clear identity will help the college develop a single brand for its business bachelor's degree options that will help foster growth and further enhance the prestige of its business programs," Gerlach said.

MacKinnon has been a long-time supporter of Lincoln College, which he credits with helping him turn around his life and set him on a path to success. In 2007, MacKinnon provided a surprise gift of \$100,000 to support the fundraising campaign to build the Lincoln Center. In 2014, he made a multiyear commitment for a \$250,000 endowed scholarship fund. In late June, MacKinnon

announced a \$1 million unrestricted contribution to further Lincoln College's mission.

When asked which of his many awards he is most proud of, he chooses two that exemplify strong character traits.

One is the H.L. Culbreath, Jr., Profile in Leadership Award selected by the Tampa Chamber of Commerce and the other is the 2013 Tampa Bay Ethics Award, presented by the University of Tampa Center for Ethics. MacKinnon sees his own success as a testimonial to the combined power of education and the free market system.

Without Lincoln College, he says he might have spent his life working at a dead end job instead of pursuing his dreams. He adds that, in his view, leaders aren't born, instead they come about through lots of great coaching from mentors.

Mentorships and ethical training will be key components of the new MacKinnon School of Business, President Gerlach said, with the school offering opportunities for students to benefit from real world exercises and training.

Initially, the program will encompass both the traditional and ABE (Accelerated Bridge to Education) bachelor's degree programs; as additional business programs are added, including business-related master's degree programs, they will be folded into the MacKinnon School of Business.

SPOTLIGHT Jessica Jackson Business Major

Business major Jessica Jackson's educational journey has not been a straight line, but rather a series of starts, stops, and overcoming adversity.

The first stop on that journey came when she was a senior in high school in Lincoln. It was the sixth high school she had attended and would be her last. She dropped out with just half to go before graduation

a credit and a half to go before graduation.

While still in high school she was working full time at multiple jobs in fast food restaurants and that continued after she dropped out. As she told the audience at the annual Joyce Kinzie/Martin Luther King Breakfast in January, she decided to make a change in 2010.

"I was a 20-year old high school dropout fed up about living with the stigma of being an uneducated woman of color, so I considered testing for my general education diploma. Though I had been out of school for three years, I dove straight in, and I took the GED test with no preparation," she said.

But, the test proved overwhelming and she almost did not complete it.



"I became discouraged by all the numbers and questions, doubting my abilities. I felt like giving up, and my eyes read fear. The instructor that was responsible for monitoring the test must have heard me sobbing loudly from the back of the room as I airdried my test from the tears that had rolled off my chin.

"The instructor and I made eye contact, and she gave me the signal to step out. At this point, I was under the assumption that I was being kicked out for disrupting the other four testers with my loud ugly cry," Jackson said.

Instead, the instructor took her aside in the hallway, grabbed both her hands and told her, "The hardest part of taking this test is building up the courage to try it, I believe that you can do this."

Jackson walked back into the testing room "with my head held a little higher and my mind a little clearer" and passed the test.

"The instructor gave me a non-monetary donation of confidence, which was a necessity at that exact moment," she said.

Still, that was just one crisis of confidence she would face.

While working at St. Clara's Manor as a certified nurses assistant, her coworkers, impressed by her intelligence and work ethic, often

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encouraged her to go back to school. She had applied to a college in Springfield but did poorly on the placement test and her application had been denied.



"On my 23rd birthday, I woke up and began crying," she said. "I felt like my life was flashing before my eyes and I hadn't done anything."

She remembered a "Register Now" sign while driving past Lincoln College.

"I jumped in my Santa Fe and drove to Lincoln College. That's where I met Jason in Admissions, another non-monetary donor to my educational journey," she said. "Jason asked me a few basic questions, but only one question stood out, which was, have you had any college experience? She told him about her previous attempt to get into college.



"Without hesitation, Jason stated 'no worries Jessica, we have all the staff and resources you need to help further your education.' Jason gave me a donation of hope for my future here at Lincoln College. Jason unknowingly encouraged me to trust and build relationships with my wonderful professors," Jackson said.

She started out slowly, taking classes part time at first. It was touch and go, but she said the support of her academic advisor helped her get through the first semester. Then, in her second semester she faced another challenge – math.

"I had always told myself, you can't do math," she said.

But, math professor Jan Bowers had a different idea and with the help of Bowers and tutoring in the Academic Success Center, she found she could do math.

"I was just shocked. I felt like the teachers were finally with me," she said. "It was the personal relations with my teachers that made me stay."

Her original goal had been to get her associate's degree and move on, but by the time she received her AA in December 2016, Lincoln College was offering bachelor's degrees in business management.

Ever since her days working at restaurants while still in high school, she says she's found success and satisfaction in business, so business management was a natural choice.

"I like business. It's really about the people and helping people," she said. Jackson says she hopes to someday open a mortgage company, a business that both her mother and grandmother have been in.

"I want to give people the opportunity to have their own homes," she added.

But, school was still not easy. She says her junior year was probably her most challenging year at Lincoln College. Again, with the help of her instructors – this time it was Dr. Diana Heeb Bivona who mentored her through her business finance class – she has found success at Lincoln College.

"Traditional students gain insights and knowledge from non-traditional students like Jessica, who often bring previous work experience and maturity to the classroom," says Dr. Bivona. "Their willingness to share those life and work experiences with traditional students enrich the



learning environment. In exchange, the Business program is able to provide our students with market-relevant essential business skills that enhance their job readiness and employability. It's a win-win situation for all involved."

In April, Jessica will travel to Las Vegas, Nevada, as part of a four-member team of LC senior business students competing at the International Accreditation Council for Business Education (IACBE) student case competition, held in conjunction with the IACBE annual conference.

This spring, she will receive her bachelor's degree. But, her educational journey is not over. The girl who dropped out of high school with just a credit and a half to go is now a woman who is looking at pursuing a master's degree in business.



Current Degree Offerings at the MacKinnon School of Business

the IACBE Student Case Competition in Las Vegas in April.

Lincoln Campus

BBA in Business Management (traditional)
BBA in Business Management (ABE)
BA in Organizational Leadership (traditional)
BS in Sport Management (traditional)

Normal Campus

BBA in Business Management (ABE)
BA in Organizational Leadership (ABE)
BAS in Organizational Leadership (ABE)
BBA in Supply Chain and Logistics Management (ABE)
BAM in Entrepreneurship (ABE)
BS in Health Services Administration (ABE)

INTRODUCING PRICE MATCH

LC has announced a new "Lincoln College Price Match Program," that updates the College's commitment to affordability to meet the needs of 21st century students, allowing students to qualify to attend at less than the price offered by competing institutions.

"It's really quite simple," explains President Gerlach. "If you receive a better financial aid package from another qualifying college or university, provide us with a copy of your competing financial aid award letter. If you meet all eligibility requirements, Lincoln College attempts to not only match the net price of your competing offer but may include an additional \$2,000 award (\$1,000 per semester) in your Lincoln College financial aid package."

The program will launch for new full-time students, both freshmen and transfer students, enrolling in the fall of 2019. Students must meet minimum eligibility requirements including acceptance to a baccalaureate degree granting institution.

For more information, contact the Admissions Office.

lincolncollege.edu/price-match-program

1-800-569-0556

BACHELOR'S DEGREES

MAJORS

Business Management
Community and Human Services
Conservation Biology
Contemporary Jazz Studies
Criminal Justice
Exercise Science
Liberal Arts
Organizational Leadership
Radio, Television, and New Media
Sport Management
Theatre

MINORS

Business Management Criminal Justice Diversity Studies English Studies Entrepreneurship Sport Management

ASSOCIATE DEGREES

General Studies
Pre-Nursing





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NEWS BRIEFS

ABE EXPANDS TO LINCOLN CAMPUS





LC's highly successful Accelerated Bridge to Education (ABE) program for adult learners has expanded to the Lincoln campus, where students are now taking accelerated hybrid evening courses toward the Bachelor of Business Administration in Business Management.

Under the ABE program, students attend class one night a week for four hours (6-10 p.m.), supplemented by online learning for five weeks. Upon completion of each five-week session, students earn a full three credit hours toward their degrees, just as they would if they had completed a semester's work in a traditional program. By offering nine sessions of five weeks in a 12-month period, a student can earn 27 credits in a year by taking one course at a time.

This is a great way for working adults to make rapid progress toward their college degrees," said Vance Laine, executive director of the ABE program. "The five-week sessions are manageable for adults trying to juggle their work and family obligations."

"We are very pleased that we are able to expand our adult learning opportunities to the Lincoln campus. This is a way for Lincoln College to better serve the entire Lincoln and Logan County community by offering new opportunities for adults seeking to earn a college degree with a flexible and affordable program close to home," said President Gerlach.

"We have found that many students appreciate having the option to skip a five-week session during the year. They may have a project at work that requires them to devote some extra hours, or they may have family obligations during certain times of the year," he explained.

The Accelerated Bridge to Education program is geared toward adult learners aged 23 and older and is also offered in Normal, Peoria and Oglesby. At just \$330 per credit hour (fall 2019 rate) for both tuition and fees, the ABE program offers a significant savings over most other four-year institutions, including public universities in Illinois

For more information about ABE degree programs and locations, visit https://abe.lincolncollege.edu/.



JAZZ STUDIES GETS RECORDING STUDIO GRANT

The Contemporary Jazz Studies program will be adding a complete recording and sound editing suite at the Johnston Center for Performing Arts, thanks to a \$20,000 grant from the Jerome Mirza Foundation. It's all part of the vision of Lead Faculty Denise La Grassa to expand the opportunities and post-graduation employment options for students seeking careers in areas like music production, audio editing, recording engineer, sound technician or acoustic consultant.

We want to build on our students' abilities and interests, both honing their own talents as well as providing them with the background to explore pathways to productive and rewarding careers," La Grassa said. "The market for performing artists is thin; but the market for music-related careers – recording engineers, audio editors, sound managers – is rich with possibility. Giving students these opportunities will provide them with more options so that they can pursue their love of music in today's competitive environment."

Over the past year, contemporary jazz students have been working with two nationally-known recording engineers, Grammy-nominated Erik Nelson of Bloomington-Normal based Eclipse Studios, and Rick Barnes of Chicago's Rax Trax studio. Nelson, who is assisting the program as an adjunct instructor, will guide students through the process of building the recording studio and recording their own original music.

"We greatly appreciate the support and guidance of the Mirza Foundation," President Gerlach said. "This generous contribution will allow us to take the next step in developing our Contemporary Jazz Studies program."



VP SHABAZZ SELECTED FOR FULBRIGHT SEMINAR

Vice President of Academic Affairs Dr. Hamin Shabazz has been selected for a Fulbright International Education Administrators Seminar award to India in spring 2019. Dr. Shabazz will attend informational meetings with representatives of Indian universities, private-sector agencies and organizations, and selected government agencies to gain better insight into India's higher education system.

"I am honored to represent Lincoln College in the Fulbright program," Shabazz said. "This will be a great opportunity to build new ties between Lincoln College and the higher education community in India. This is especially important as Lincoln College continues to grow and as we work to develop programs that will bring more international students to campus and to open up opportunities for our students to study abroad."

Through the prestigious program, U.S. education administrators have the opportunity to familiarize themselves with program and curriculum designs, organizational structures, quality assurance procedures, and credit and degree expectations in Indian higher education. Participants gain first-hand knowledge of a cross section of Indian institutions and meet with high-ranking university administrators and public sector officials who play key roles in the planning and administration of higher education in India.

LYNX ON 5TH

President Gerlach and other LC administrators were on hand to accept the keys to the former St. Clara's Manor, nicknamed **LYNX on 5th** for now, at a special signing ceremony in August. The former senior care center, located one mile from campus on 5th Street, was donated by St. Clara's Senior Services, which has built a new senior facility on the west side of town.



"We truly appreciate the generosity of St. Clara's Senior Services in transferring this facility to Lincoln College," said President Gerlach. "We also appreciate the strong support that the community showed Lincoln College after we announced our plans last year and as those plans moved through the city's review process."

Common areas on the first floor have been renovated for use by Student Activities and other campus and community organizations. The LC Trustees held their Board Meeting

dinner there in February and students danced the night away at the March Spring Fling. The rest of the building will be renovated for use as student housing to meet the needs of the school as it grows its four-year undergraduate degree programs and prepares to offer post-graduate degrees.

NATIONAL SOCIETY OF LEADERSHIP AND SUCCESS INDUCTS 56 MEMBERS

In December, LC inducted 56 students into the newly established Sigma Alpha Pi chapter of The National Society of Leadership and Success, the nation's largest leadership honor society, joining a network of more than 900,000 student leaders from more than 600 colleges and universities across the United States.

This organization provides the perfect opportunity for our current and aspiring student leaders to come together in one community to learn leadership and support one another as they pursue their academic and professional career goals," said Zach Landers '07, '12, LC's director of student engagement and NSLS chapter advisor. "Nearly every academic and co-curricular program is being represented in this first group of inductees. I'm very excited for our new members and can't wait to see how they apply what they've learned through this induction process and the impact they'll make on their own communities here on campus and beyond."



Is your horn (or other instrument) collecting dust in a closet back at your mom's house?

Rehome it!

Our Contemporary Jazz Studies program needs practice instruments!

Your donated instrument could change the life of a current music student.

Contact Dr. Denise La Grassa at dlagrassa@lincolncollege.edu or (217) 735-7281 if you can help.

thank you!

Recipients of LC's 85 named annual and endowed scholarships had the opportunity to meet and thank donors at the annual **Scholarship Donor Appreciation Reception** in November. In total, 138 students received financial support totaling \$243,350 from named scholarships. Additionally, all full-time traditional students receive an institutional scholarship or grant, making LC one of the most affordable four-year colleges in Illinois.







For more information about establishing a named Annual or Endowed Scholarship, contact Tom McLaughlin at 217.735.7210 or tmclaughlin@lincolncollege.edu.



NEW IN 2019

GOT APPS?

You can follow Lynx basketball and more with the LCTV at Lincoln College app available free at Google Play or the App Store, and you can listen to WLNX 89X worldwide on iHeartRadio. Home games will be televised on LCTV (Lincoln Comcast Channel 5 subscribers) and archived on the LCTV Youtube channel. Away games will be broadcast on WLNX.

BOWLING

Candace (Sheley) Van Bogaert, LC class of 2001, has been named LC's first ever bowling coach, as men's and women's bowling has been added as a team sport starting in fall 2019. Candace has been an avid bowler for over 20 years, and has been a part-time assistant volleyball coach for the Lynx since 2016. She joined the permanent Athletics Department staff as Assistant to the Athletic Director in July 2018.



"As a dual sport athlete playing volleyball and basketball, I'm excited to bring Candace on board as a head coach," says Perdue. "Lincoln Athletics is excited to add men's and women's bowling to our intercollegiate sports offering. Bowling is a rising sport in the NAIA and has become very popular among high schools as an IHSA-sponsored sport, so we felt it was a good fit for our department and school."

"Providing additional opportunities for student-athletes is important to us," says President David Gerlach. "We believe as a new member of the NAIA, the addition of sports such as bowling enhances our

institution and provides a wonderful opportunity for students to earn their degree while playing a sport they love."

"I've been bowling since I was eight, and coaching is a passion of mine. I am looking forward to the opportunities that coaching here will bring," says Van Bogaert.

Lincoln College is in its first
full year of membership in
the National Association of
Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA)
and competes in the Association of
Independent Institutions Conference
(All). This year Lincoln College has more
than 300 student-athletes participating in
17 sports. The addition of men's and women's
bowling brings the number of athletic opportunities offered by LC to 19

Athletic scholarships will be offered for both men's and women's bowling teams for the 2019-20 year. Potential student-athletes interested in the new bowling program or any other sports at Lincoln College can learn more by visiting the school's athletic website at www. lincolnlynxsports.com where they can submit a recruitment form.

ESPORTS

Also coming in fall 2019 will be the addition of the collaborative online gaming activity known as esports as an officially sponsored club sport.

"Esports are a rapidly growing competitive option on college campuses across the country," said Perdue. "We are excited to bring this opportunity to the students here at Lincoln College."

Chris Slaby will be the Lynx's first esports head coach. Slaby, who is the assistant news director at WAND-TV in Decatur, brings a strong background in the world of online computer gaming to the task of starting a program from scratch.

I am excited about the opportunity to get the esport program going at Lincoln College," said Slaby. "I am looking forward most to building a team and the chance to mentor younger players in collaborative gaming."

LC will join the National Association of Collegiate Esports (NACE). According to the NACE website (nacesports.org), 116 institutions across the nation are part of the organization which is dedicated to "the positive development of esports programs at the collegiate level."

NACE sanctions regular competitions and hosts a national championship event each year. In most sanctioned events, teams compete in tournaments with the winners receiving funds in the form of scholarship money. At the most recent NACE Championship event, over \$100,000 scholarship funds were awarded to championship teams.

Lincoln will initially recruit players in order to enter teams in League of Legends and Smite esports events. For more information, contact Lincoln College Athletic Director Mark Perdue at mperdue@lincolncollege.edu.

Jackson, Hoffman win State, National awards

The dynamic WLNX 89X/LCTV broadcast duo Nik Jackson and Adam Hoffman have won both state and national awards this year.

In October, the pair took Illinois
Broadcasters Association best honors
for their play-by-play coverage
of the January 24, 2018 women's
basketball game against Illinois
Central College, and in March they
took the top honor of "Best Men's
Basketball Play-by-Play" (for their
coverage of the January 31, 2018 home
game against Danville Area Community
College) at the 79th annual Intercollegiate
Broadcasting System Conference in New
York City.

Jackson and Hoffman were present in New York, along with Lincoln College Associate Professor and WLNX General Manager John Malone, to accept the award at a ceremony honoring achievement in collegiate broadcasting. The duo edged out other finalists in the category from Virginia Commonwealth University, Temple University, University of Tennessee at Martin, Goshen College, and Hillsdale College.

Nik has been the consistent radio voice of Lincoln College basketball for four consecutive seasons, and he'll be back for a fifth next year," Malone said. "That's a milestone that will be very difficult to top. He has become a top notch play by play broadcaster and will be extremely successful wherever his career takes him. Adam knows basketball inside and out. His insight and on air chemistry with Nik blends together to create a broadcast on par with any professional play-by-play and color commentary duo anywhere in the country. I am thrilled they will both be here for another season together, the first with real NAIA competition."

Jackson and Hoffman were also IBS finalists in the categories of "Best Women's Basketball Play-by-Play" and "Best TV Play-by-Play." Jackson was also a finalist for "Best Use of Facebook" and "Best Sports Interview."

Jackson, a senior from Springfield, III., and
Hoffman, a sophomore from Ashland, III., are
both pursuing a Bachelor of Arts degree
in Radio, Television, and New Media
at Lincoln College. The program
launched in 2016 and currently
has about 30 declared majors.

The Intercollegiate
Broadcasting System is the
largest organization in the
United States representing
non-profit, education-affiliated
radio stations and webcasters.
Founded in 1940, IBS is headquartered

in New York and has a membership of over one thousand college broadcasters, including WLNX.



For more information about majoring in Radio, TV and New Media at LC, visit the website or contact Malone at jmalone@lincolncollege.edu.

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[∞]Homecoming [∞]& Alumni Reunion

Fall 2018 ushered in a new era – for athletics as the Lynx began competing in the NAIA and for the Alumni Office as our annual Alumni Awards Dinner and other Reunion activities were rescheduled from late April to November, to coincide with the Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet and other Homecoming activities on campus.

Athletic Hall of Fame

LC's sixth Hall of Fame Class was inducted on Friday, Nov. 9, at the Hall of Fame Banquet held in the Lynx Lair, aka the Davidson-Sheffer Gymnasium. The Lincoln College Athletic Hall of Fame recognizes the long and exemplary history of athletics at Lincoln College and includes student athletes, teams, coaches, managers, administrators, faculty, staff, and friends who have distinguished themselves in the field of athletics at Lincoln College, either by their performance on an athletic team or by meritorious efforts in supporting the athletic program at the College.

The 2018 Athletic Hall of Fame class (below from left) Coach Vicki Vaughan, Friends Jim and Sue Ryan, Male Athletes Phil Styles '87 and Eddie Jones '80, Female athletes La Toya Johnson '95 and LaToya Doage '95, Emcee Jan Bowers '81.





LaToya Doage was Bloomington High School's top scorer with 1,394 points when Coach Vaughan recruited her to play basketball for the Lady Lynx in 1993.

She was co-captain of the 1994-95 team that finished the season with a 24-8 record and ended in second place in the Region 24 basketball tournament. She was on the All-Tournament Team at the Black Hawk East Tournament and, along with teammate La Toya Johnson, was selected as an All Region Player for Region 24.

After graduation, LaToya played for the University of Nebraska, where she earned All Big Eight and All Big Twelve honors. She coached at the Michael Jordan Basketball Camp in 1997. In 1999 she joined the San Jose Lasers for one season, helping the team finish second in the ABL's Western Conference.

LaToya lives in Bloomington, Illinois, where she works for State Farm Corporate.



La Toya "TJ" Johnson was a multi-sport athlete and basketball standout at Decatur's Eisenhower High School, named MVP for the 1992-93 season and the 1993 Macon County Player of the Year before joining Coach Vaughan's Lady Lynx in Lincoln.

TJ held the LC record for most rebounds in a single game (25), led the 94-95 season in scoring and rebounding, and set Lincoln's career scoring

record (1,278 points), while serving as Team Co-Captain. She was an All Region Player for Region 24 and earned an All-American Honorable Mention for her 22.8 point per game average and 14.1 rebounds per game.

TJ played for the Arizona State University Sun Devils and was the ASU women's basketball Defensive Player of the Year in 1996-1997. She graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Education and went on to earn a Masters of Education from University of Nevada-Las Vegas in 2008.

TJ has worked in public education in Las Vegas schools since 2002, and was recognized with a Distinguished Educator Award Elementary in 2010 and a Distinguished Educator Award Middle School in 2017. She is currently a sixth-grade math teacher and math interventionist at Bailey Middle School.

Vicki Vaughan, Coach 1991 – 1998



Vicki Vaughan served as the Lady Lynx head basketball coach from 1991 to 1998 and led the Lynx to back-toback 20-win seasons in 1993-94 and 1994-95. While coaching Doage and Johnson, Vaughan ended the season ranked 17th nationally.

Vaughan was inducted into the Indiana
Basketball Hall of Fame in 2013, where
she set records at Lawrenceburg High
School, including 1,062 career points, 327 assists
and a single-game total of 41 points. She was a two-time All-State
selection and earned 12 varsity letters while in high school. She was
a four-year player and two-year starter at Illinois State University and
member of two Gateway Conference championship teams. She also
set a single-season field goal percentage record of 57%.

In addition to coaching at Lincoln College, Vaughan was the first female to coach professional basketball in Ireland, earning the IBBA Coach of the Year and winning four championships.

After leaving Lincoln College she was the assistant women's basketball coach at the U.S. Air Force Academy for two years.

She is currently the Director of Athletics at the Colorado Springs School in Colorado Springs, Colorado, where she oversees all middle school and high school athletics programs. She is also the women's basketball coach at the school.

Phil Styles '87



Phil Styles came to Lincoln College to play basketball under Coach Allen Pickering and credits Pickering and LC with laying the groundwork for his future success by teaching him the value of teamwork and effective management. He was the 1987 Region 24 MVP and named All-Region 1st Team. He went on to earn his bachelor's degree in Business Management from Northwestern University, where he played NCAA Basketball for the Northwestern Wildcats.

Phil is a member of the Lincoln College Board of Trustees and today colleads Willis Towers Watson Diverse Solutions Network. He previously served as the Director – Strategic Alliances for Aon Corporation, and has also worked for Beajus, Inc., Kraft Foods and Pagenet Corporation.

Phil has received numerous honors for his leadership and involvement. He has been named a Champion of Diversity by Diversity Plus Magazine, was the 2011 Honorary Chair of Chicago MED Week, was named Man of the Year by the Chicago Defender in 2011, and served as Chairman of the Board of The Support Group from 2009-2011, a non-profit organization that helps develop young leaders and provides alternatives to gangs, guns and drugs. He was one of 50 celebrities and influencers honored by The Made Man, a national multimarket corporate and community initiative designed to showcase philanthropy and honor the extraordinary achievements of notable African American male influencers from various walks of life.

In 2017, Styles received an Alumni Achievement Award in Business Management from Lincoln College. He lives in Mableton, Georgia.



Eddie Jones came to Lincoln College after earning All State and All City honors in basketball at Chicago Cregier High School. At Lincoln College he racked up a series of honors while playing on the 1980 state and regional championship basketball team, including MVP honors at the state tournament level and being named a national All-American when the team competed in the national tournament in Hutchinson, Kansas.

After graduation from Lincoln College, Eddie went on to play basketball at Eastern Illinois University, where he earned his bachelor's degree in 1983.

After graduating from Eastern, Jones returned to Lincoln College where he was an assistant basketball coach from 1983-1985.

In 1985, he began working for the Illinois Department of Corrections as a Leisuretime Services Supervisor. He was consistently promoted at the Department of Corrections, serving as a warden, district deputy director, regional deputy director and eventually became Chief of Operations, before retiring in 2011.

Jim and Sue Ryan, Friends of Lynx Athletics



Jim and Sue Ryan have given outstanding support to Lincoln College. For decades, the Ryans and Lincoln College have been inseparable, around campus and in the bleachers. For 32 years Sue Ryan worked in the financial aid office at Lincoln College. Jim Ryan is closing in on nearly two decades of working part-time in maintenance at the College.

Throughout their decades of service to Lincoln College, the Ryan's have been unfailing boosters of the athletic program, attending games (including traveling to national championships in Hutchinson, Kansas, and Danville, Illinois) and serving as mentors, friends, and supporters of student athletes.

The Ryans have a strong legacy at Lincoln College as well. Their daughter, Bridgett Thomas '01, '07, is LC's dean of students, son-in-law Tony Thomas '88 is the Lynx head baseball coach, and grandson Ryan Thomas is currently a student and Lynx baseball player. Son Joe '84 and grandchildren Andrew Ryan '08, '11 and Brileigh Gasparini '12 are also Lynx alumni.

HOMECOMING BASKETBALL GAME RESULTS

The Lady Lynx took a 62 – 50 loss to Governors State University, but the Lynx men came back to defeat Missouri Valley College 83 – 76.

HALL OF FAME MEMBERS were also recognized on Saturday afternoon between the women's and men's Homecoming basketball games; those who were able to stay for the double header were introduced on the court.



HOMECOMING HIGHLIGHT

Lynx basketball standout junior guard Trayvon Tyler (Rockford, III.), led the Lynx against William Penn University at home in October, scoring 26 points. It wasn't enough for the win—the Lynx finished down by 1 at the buzzer—but it was enough to move Tyler into the 1,000 Point Club. Congratulations, Trayvon!



Alumni Achievement Awards

On Saturday evening, we were back in the Lynx Lair to recognize outstanding alumni David Irwin '88 and Steve Georgy '98, and welcome our newest Honorary Alumna, Mary Jo Werth. We also celebrated the silver anniversary of the class of 1993, the pearl anniversary of the Class of 1988, the golden anniversary of the class of 1968, and the platinum anniversary of the class of 1943.

Congratulations Lynx!



David Irwin, presented by

President Dave Gerlach

DAVID W. IRWIN '88

Alumni Achievement Award in Ag Business and Community Service

Dave Irwin, class of 1988, has a life-long connection with Logan County agriculture, spending his childhood on the family farm, attending elementary school in Beason, and graduating from Lincoln Community High School and Lincoln College. Dave was among the first group of students focused on agriculture studies and credits working on college farmland with providing great real-life experience for the work he

does today. After graduating from Lincoln College, he went on to earn his bachelor's degree in ag production from ISU.

For the past 15 years, Dave has served Logan County and the ag community as Vice-President and Farm Manager at State Bank of Lincoln. Prior to that, he worked for Central Illinois Ag and Logan F.S./AgLand F.S.

Dave has served on the Board of Directors of the Logan County Fair for 13 years, and for the past ten years has done the work behind the scenes to bring headline entertainers to the Logan County Fair. He also serves on the Board of Directors for the Downstate Classic, is a past treasurer of the Logan County Cooperative Extension Service Council, served on the Board of Directors of Frontier Mutual Insurance Company, is the Chair-Elect of Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital Board of Directors, and twice served as Chairman of the Lincoln-Logan Chamber of Commerce Ag Committee.

Among his favorite LC memories, Dave cites Mr. Burt Stout's English class, playing pool in the old Student Center, and playing intramural basketball in the Davidson-Sheffer Gym.

STEVEN J. GEORGY '98

Young Alumni Achievement Award

Steve Georgy, class of 1998, was by his account a poor student in high school. He found his way to Lincoln College where, like many before him, he flourished.

He made the Dean's list, was inducted into the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society and was the captain of the Baseball team. He went on to complete

Steven Georgy, presented by Development Officer Jen McMillin his bachelor's degree in communication and media studies at Bradley

Today Steve is President of Allendale, Inc., a successful business offering brokerage services, market strategies, and analysis to the farm and agriculture industry. A talented communicator, he has been seen on "This Week in Agribusiness" with legendary broadcasters Orion Samuelson and Max Armstrong and has done radio broadcasts for "Market Rally" on WGN. He hosts a daily Morning Market Commentary that provides the latest agriculture market reports over Allendale's YouTube channel and has been a driving force in Allendale's extensive web and social media communications services to the ag industry.

Steve and his wife Kristin are certified in the Safe Families for Children program that gives a safety net to parents in need of mentoring relationships and tangible support in times of crisis. Georgy has also worked with his local United Way and Habitat for Humanity.

Steve credits former faculty member Jan Stephenson and Baseball Coach Tony Thomas '88 for helping him develop the skills and confidence that have helped him be successful since graduating from LC.

MARY JO WERTH Honorary Alumna Award

Born and raised in Taylorville, III., Mary Jo Werth worked for Franklin Life/American General in Springfield for 30 years before coming to Lincoln College in 2001. She started as a part-time data entry employee before transitioning to serve as the Administrative Assistant in the Office of Advancement & Alumni Relations where, for 17 years, she welcomed alumni, recorded gifts, helped plan and run events—like Alumni Reunion Weekend and countless other little things that kept Mary Jo Werth (right), the office and staff on task and running smoothly. MJ lives in Burtonview with her

husband of 45 years, Kenneth Werth.

presented by VP Debbie

SAVE THE DATES

LC Alumni Reunion & Homecoming November 8 - 9, 2019

Alumni Award NOMINATIONS

Nominate your fellow outstanding Lincoln College alumnus/a for an Alumni Achievement Award. Nominations are due by June 1 to be considered for awards given at the Banquet held in conjunction with Homecoming in November. Self-submissions are encouraged. Award descriptions and the online nomination form are on the website at https://alumni.lincolncollege.edu/awards/

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MUSEUM CORNER

Young America: TROM LINCOLN - LINE LINE Lincoln and Intellect



"Young America ... is he not the inventor and owner of the present, and sole hope of the future?

This line from Abraham Lincoln's Second Lecture on Discoveries and Inventions speech, delivered in February 1859 in Jacksonville, Ill., set the theme for the LHM's 2019 special exhibit, which opened on Lincoln's birthday and runs through December 14.

> Museum Director Anne Moseley explains that, while Lincoln's speech focused on new discoveries and nventions (he is the only U.S. president to hold a patent), he borrowed the phrase from a growing political movement of young intellectuals of the 1850s and 1860s instigating social change at the

"We have a responsibility to remind students of their untapped potential, the possibility that they can change the landscape of society, politics, and culture in our present generation just as Lincoln and his contemporaries did 150 years ago," said Moseley.

The Young America exhibit features key Lincoln and Logan County artifacts from the LHM vault which illustrate the idea of inventing the future, including the original deed and plat map for the city of Lincoln, an 1824 road petition for a road from Sprinafield to Peoria via Elkhart, an 1840s swivel

> chair from the Lincoln-Herndon Law Office in Springfield, and a 1911 first edition of "History of Logan County Illinois" by Judge Lawrence B. Stringer, LC class of 1887. (Judge Stringer was an early collector of Lincolnalia; his personal collection, donated to the College upon his death in 1942, was the beginning of what is now the LHM.)



The Lincoln Heritage Museum is recognized by EDsmart.org as the 5th Most Astounding University Museum. For more information about the LHM and upcoming events, visit museum.lincolncollege.edu.



Ready... Set... Scan!

The Museum staff is thrilled with another addition to the vault: a Bookeye 4 V1A scanner which will be used to scan and digitally archive the LHM's artifacts with a long-term goal of making the collections available for online viewing and research. The LHM acknowledges the generosity of late LC trustee Waldo Bertoni and his wife Rosalie Bertoni, whose support of the Museum through their estate made the purchase of the Bookeye possible.

Middletown Flag **Fund Update**

As Illinois celebrated its bicentennial Dec. 3, 2018, the LHM announced that a Penny Drive undertaken by students from 10 Logan County schools, plus matching gifts from community members, raised more than \$4,000 for the Middletown Flag Restoration Fund. The Penny Drive brings the total raised to almost \$9,000, or about half of what is needed to restore the flag.

"Raising funds for the restoration was important, but that wasn't the only goal. The penny drive was intended to build civic pride among students while helping them discover Logan County's role in this historic chapter," said Director Anne Moseley. "In the future, they will be able to point to the Middletown Flag in the museum that they helped to save. Through the flag we can acknowledge past events, while instilling pride in the role played by Logan County citizens, past and present, in our nation's history."

The flag was made for a Springfield rally for Lincoln held on August 8, 1860. After being carried in the rally's parade, the women of Middletown were thrilled to find that Lincoln was draped in their flag as he gave a speech at the fairgrounds. At a time when women were not allowed to vote, the flag served as a way for the ladies of Middletown to express themselves publicly regarding their candidate of choice.

The Middletown Flag is one of three pieces created for and used by the Wide Awake Supporters of Logan County currently in the LHM's collection. The other two are the "Nations Choice" banner and a smaller banner of Abraham Lincoln. Once the flag is restored, the entire set will be complete.

summer parties

WOW WEDNESDAYS

See special items from the vault and learn about an associated Lincoln character trait from 2 to 3 p.m. each Wednesday afternoon in June and July. Some WOW Wednesday artifacts have never been on display, so this is a once in a life time

> chance to see these unique items. A special WOW Wednesday Pass, valid for all 9 presentations, is available for \$27 and includes regular Museum admission for those Wednesdays.

THIRD FRIDAYS

Join us at 3rd Friday, Lincoln's summer street fest! Look for the LC/LHM booth downtown on the Courthouse Square on June 15, July 20, August 17, and September 21.

SUPER SATURDAYS

Special free children's programming from 1 to 4 p.m. each Saturday afternoon in June, July and August. Activities will take place outside on the patio or inside the Atrium, depending on weather. (Regular admission fees of \$7 per adult and \$4 per child remain in effect for Museum tours.)

June 1 — Antique Letters & National Pen Pal Day

June 8 — 19th Century Games

June 15 — Flag Day Crafts

June 22 — Morse Code

June 29 — National Camera Day

July 6 — Telegraphs

July 13 — Fans & Face Painting

July 20 — National Ice Cream Day

July 27 — Living History

August 3 — National Watermelon Day

August 10 — DIY Stovepipe Hat

August 17 — Games & Crafts

August 24 — National Aviation Week

August 31 — DIY Bean Bag Double Can Game





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Creekside CREEKSIDE NOTES

CONSERVATION BIOLOGY STUDENTS ASSIST FIELD MUSEUM MONARCH

LC Conservation Biology students are part of a collaborative project with Chicago's Field Museum of Natural History to study and reverse the declining population of Monarch butterflies. Students learned to survey, assess, and document pollinator habitat, and will conduct focus groups and hold meetings with local

stakeholders to identify opportunities to create more habitat for pollinators in general, with an emphasis on Monarchs.

"This is a great opportunity for our students to work with professionals from one of the nation's premier institutions, conducting field research and developina practical solutions to a serious environmental concern," said Conservation Biology Program.

Monarch butterflies play a crucial role in the ecosystem as pollinators for countless vital plants, but according to information from the Field Museum, monarch populations have declined by 80 percent over the past two decades, stemming in part from the loss of milkweed that serves as their food source.

Ossler explained that while the monarch butterfly and other important pollinators are in decline, there are ways that people in rural areas, cities, towns and suburbs can help. The project will refine mapping tools and strategies for creating monarch habitat in different contexts along the



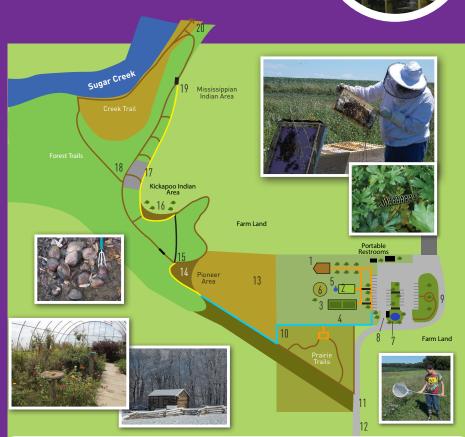
Solutions for Soils Workshop

In October, students and educators braved the autumn elements at Creekside to learn about soil and streambank erosion and restoration. About two dozen people attended the free Solutions for Soil workshop, which was a collaboration of Lincoln College, the Cardno Native Plant Nursery, the Logan County Soil and Water Conservation Agency and the Logan County Natural Resource Conservation Service.



Peoples of the **Past Boardwalk**

Thanks to funding from an Illinois American Water grant and many volunteer hours, the Peoples of the Past Boardwalk has been extended to the Wibben Overlook above Sugar Creek. Each foot of the Boardwalk represents a year traveled back in time; coincidentally, the bridge across the ravine that separates the Fredericks Log Cabin Pionee Area from the Kickapoo Indian Area and Tulip Poplar Grove spans the years of Abraham Lincoln's life.



WALK WAYS:

Boardwalk

Sidewalk •

1 Teaching Pavilion

2 Greenhouse 3 Rotary Insectarium

POINTS OF INTEREST:

5 Well and Water Tank

7 Retention Pond

9 Lookout Hill

10 Restored Tall-grass Prairie 16 Tulip Poplar Tree Grove 11 Entry Gate

8 Pond Viewing Station

12 Small-Edwards Trace

17 Ethnohotanical Garden

14 Pete's Log Cabin

18 Outdoor Classroom 19 Wibben Overlook Stream Erosion Display

15 Entry to Forest Trails/Bridge

6 Council Ring and Fire Pit 13 Pollinator Plot 20 To Mammoth Discovery Site

PROJECT

Dr. Julia Ossler, lead faculty for LC's

monarch's migration path in Logan County.



Three New Trustees Begin Service to Lincoln College

Three new members were seated at the September meeting of LC's Board of Trustees: George "Reed" Eberle, Jr., of Wilmette, Eric D. Graue of Lincoln, and Kathryn M. Harris of Springfield.

"These new Lincoln College Trustees continue a tradition of outstanding leadership for the College," said President David Gerlach. "We rely heavily on the creative and dedicated leadership of our Trustees. There are many challenges facing higher education today, and the insights and experience of the Trustees are essential to assuring that Lincoln College can navigate those challenges while continuing to provide an excellent education to our students."

The Lincoln College Board of Trustees appoints the President. Board committees oversee finances, development, planning, academic affairs and student services, among other duties.

George "Reed" Eberle, Jr.

Eberle is managing partner of GDHWD & Eberle, Inc. in Northbrook, a company specializing in bringing manufacturers of consumer products to the retail marketplace. Eberle works with companies that are focused on selling into the Hardware/Home Improvement channel as well as the Mass Merchandisers. He is a consultant/partner in Geneva Industrial Group, a company that sources, markets, and manufactures products in the Home Comfort category for mass retailers.

Eberle went to work in 1988 at Eberle Sales as a manufacturer's representative. The company merged with GDHWD (Grossman, Debartolo, Hannon, Wolens, and Dousman, Inc.) in 1997.

He began his career as an Arbitrage Clerk in the Euro Dollar Pit at CME and worked as a commodity desk manager obtaining his Series 3 and 7 licenses. Eberle earned his bachelor's degree from the University of

and worked as a commodity desk manager obtaining his Series 3 and 7 licenses. Eberle earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Arizona in 1985. He is a volunteer liaison for the Chicago Childcare Society and member of the Kenilworth Union Church and is a past president of the Midwest Retailers and Manufacturers Association and member since 1989.

Eberle is the son of late Lincoln College Trustee George R. Eberle, who served on the Board from 1990 to 2014.

Eric D. Graue

Graue, of Lincoln, is resident director of the Springfield branch of Merrill Lynch. He is a financial advisor and member of the Summer-Graue Group, a Merrill Lynch Wealth Management team focused on delivering goals-based wealth management services. He has a long history of leading volunteer boards in the local community, including serving as the current chairman of the Abraham Lincoln Memorial Hospital Foundation and past president of the Lincoln/Logan County Chamber of Commerce.

At Merrill Lynch, he manages a team of 15 advisors, three advisor trainees and eight support staff. He has been with Merrill Lynch since 2005. Prior to that he was a senior consultant at IBM and a consultant at Anderson Consulting, LLP.

Graue graduated from the University of Illinois with a degree in general engineering.

Kathryn M. Harris

Harris, of Springfield, is the first woman and first African American to serve as the President of the Abraham Lincoln Association since its inception in 1909.

She retired in 2015 as the Library
Services Director of the Abraham
Lincoln Presidential Library, formerly
the Illinois State Historical Library, after
more than 25 years of service. She
has served on the board of the Illinois
Humanities Council (now Illinois Humanities)
and is currently a "Road Scholar" for Illinois
Humanities, where she presents on the 1908 Springfield Race Riot, a
seminal event that led to the founding of the NAACP, and on "Mrs.
Keckley: Friend and Confidante of Mrs. Lincoln."

Harris presents one woman first person shows which honor four historic 19th century African American women: Harriet Tubman, Jarena Lee, Phoebe Florville and Elizabeth Keckley.

She has held managerial positions at the Illinois State Library and the SIU School of Medicine Library in Springfield. She has served on the Board of the Illinois Library Association and Consortium of Academic and Research Libraries in Illinois (CARLI).

In addition, Harris is past president of the Sangamon County Historical Society and is a recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Illinois State Historical Society. In 2015, she was recognized by the Springfield Rotary Club and is a Rotary Paul Harris Fellow. She was honored as a Woman of Influence by the Springfield Business Journal and recognized by the Society of Public Administrators.

Harris is a native of Carbondale and a graduate of Southern Illinois University – Carbondale. She earned her Master of Library Science degree from the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana.

#Lynxonthemove Empowering Our Future Tour

President David and Lisa Gerlach, Vice President Debbie Ackerman '83, and Development Officer Rick Samuels have been on the road, visiting alumni and friends around the country and sharing the exciting things that are happening back on campus in Lincoln, Illinois.

On a recent trip to Florida, our #Lynxonthemove visited alumni and friends (clockwise from top right): Don and Sue Cooper and Chris Cooper '81; Rick Hamm, Skip Kitchen '72 and Mike Brower '65; Joy (Shockey) Grubb '57 and Darcy (Comerford) Meininger '73; Sandy '60 and Sandy MacKinnon, Jerry '56 and Joyce Fox, Pat (Kodatt) Morrow '50 and son Mark Morrow '73, Joann (Todd) '59 and Tucker '59 Gray; and Dan '08 and Alexis Thomas (inset).

Interested in hosting or attending a gathering of Lynx in your area? Contact the Alumni Office at (877) 522-5867 or email alumni@lincolncollege.edu.











"I have been, and am sincerely your friend." ~ Abraham Lincoln to Gen. David Hunter, July 12, 1862

The LC family said goodbye to a true friend at the passing of Professor Emeritus Paul Beaver '56 in February this year after a brief illness. Amongst his other achievements, only some of which are listed below, Paul was instrumental in University Hall being placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1973. In 2010 he collaborated with Dale Adams, Duane Follis, and Jerry Fox (all 1956 classmates) to have a Heritage Wayside sign placed in front of UH, and he lectured on the history of the building at our Sesquicentennial Alumni Reunion Weekend in April 2015. He also recorded and shared the history of the President's Residence at 204 Lincoln Avenue, and presented on the history of Lynx Athletics at the 2015 Hall of Fame Banquet. Paul's life and Lynx experience represents nearly half of our 154-year history, and his teaching touched the lives of thousands. He will be sincerely missed.

Professor Emeritus Paul James Beaver Jr., class of 1956, of Lincoln, died February 26, 2019, in Springfield, III. He was 82.

Paul grew up in Logan County and attended Lincoln College, graduating with his Associate in Arts degree in May 1956. As a Lynx, he played basketball, winning the Charm

Award in 1955/56, and he was a letterman on Coach Bud Seigmund's baseball team. In his classes he cultivated a keen interest in Abraham Lincoln and Logan County history.

It was at LC, on the stairs of the old Administration Building, that Paul met Sharon "Sue" Moore '58, a classmate of his sister Judith. He continued at Illinois State University, graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1959, and Paul and Sue were married Nov. 24, 1960; he taught at Elkhart Elementary School and completed his Master's degree at ISU in 1964.

In 1966, Lincoln College President Raymond Dooley recruited Paul to teach history and serve as LC's very first Student Activities Director. Paul also took over as curator of the Lincoln Collection from historian James Hickey, and was witness to the January 1969 Administration Building fire that nearly destroyed the priceless collection that Judge Lawrence B. Stringer (class of 1887) had bequeathed the College just 25 short years before.

A lifelong athlete and sports lover, Paul played on Lincoln's 1969 State Champion Road Runner Softball team and the Road Runner Basketball team, and coached at Elkhart Grade School. He was a die-hard Cubs fan who lived long enough to finally see a World Series win.

Paul was a Professor of History at Lincoln College, teaching full-time until 1999 and continuing part-time until 2002. He was also a self-employed real estate appraiser and worked along with Paul Beaver and Sons and Families producing many award winning Chester White Swine, and served as President of the Illinois Chester White Association

He was a member of the Chicago Civil War Round Table, the Abraham Lincoln Association, the Lincoln Elks Club and First Presbyterian Church, and he served on the Logan County Board and the Logan County Paramedics Association Board.

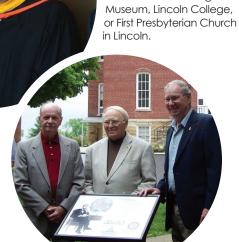
Paul authored several books including "Abraham Lincoln in Logan County, Illinois 1834-1860," "William Scully and the Scully Estates of Logan County," and "The Last Farm Boy," a book of growing up in rural Logan County, and co-wrote "Logan County Pictorial History" with Paul E. Gleason. He continued to give lectures and presentations on Lincoln and Logan County

He was named the Lincoln Courier Man of the Month in October 1978 and was the Lincoln Community High School Homecoming Parade Grand Marshall and the Courier Citizen of the Year in 2008. He served on LC's Lincoln/Logan Alumni Committee, was recognized with a Lincoln College Alumni Achievement Award in 2000, received the LaVeta Zurkammer Alumni Award in 2013, and had many more honors and awards too numerous to mention.

Paul is survived by his wife Sue, their daughters Ann Loraine (Ronald) Wolpert '84 and Amy Jo (John) O'Donnell '88, four grandchildren, his brother John (Kathy) Beaver '61, and his

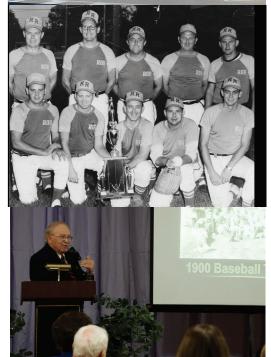
brother-in-law David Coogan. He was preceded in death by his sister Judith Coogan '58, and one infant sister Rose.

> Memorial donations may be made in Paul's name to The Lincoln Heritage Museum, Lincoln College or First Presbyterian Church in Lincoln









Remembrances

We've heard from past colleagues and dozens of former students, representing half a century of LC alumni. Thank you all who wrote, emailed, posted to social media; we echo everyone's sentiments.

Paul Beaver was a mentor to me. My predecessor as director of the Lincoln Heritage Museum was a lifelong educator whose passion for history and love for his community were evident. I loved to listen and hear Paul's storytelling about Abraham Lincoln in Logan County which no one else knew. I respected him as a friend, a colleague, and I will truly miss Welcome him. Today, the saints in heaven are hearing Paul tell some great local lore about Lincoln. I envy them. Ron Keller, Associate Professor, Director of the Abraham Lincoln Center for Character Development at LC

I was saddened to hear of the passing of former Lincoln Heritage Museum director and curator Paul Beaver. He was a legendary Logan County historian who had a passion for his county. The story I will never forget — that he would retell over and over — was about how his father was in [Paul's grandmother's] womb when President Abraham Lincoln's funeral train passed through Lincoln. Illinois, in 1865, It is no surprise he was drawn to study the life and legacy of Abraham Lincoln. Paul

We met Paul in 1972 and been friends ever since. He was a class act — a good friend and a great father and teacher. He lived a long, interesting life and was a very positive influence on thousands of students. You can't have a much better life than that. Mike Hartnett, former staff

you will be greatly missed but fondly remembered by the Lincoln

Heritage Museum. Anne Moselev, LHM Director

Paul's continued encouragement to me to continue local history research was very much appreciated. Thank you Paul. Bill Donath '66

He embodied Abraham Lincoln and his love for his school. He was a treasure at Lincoln College and in the community, a pillar who never stopped teaching and giving back to his students and to his loving family. Steve Roach '68

In the fall of 1973 I had World History with Mr. Beaver...there were only three of us so we held the class in his office in the Library. What a great guy! Jim Maijala '75

Paul was a curious fellow. He was always interested in what I was up to. He asked many questions regarding my stand-up comedy career, and I couldn't get enough dirt on Abraham Lincoln and his brother John. Paul will be sorely missed. Sue, you have my love and sympathy. John "Dr. Gonzo" Means '75

He was such a good person and an excellent teacher. My condolences to his family and the Lincoln College family. Karen Jacobs '78

One of the truly great teachers. Barbie Angell '92

He was a wonderful man and a great teacher. His was the only history class I ever enjoyed. My sincere condolences to his family. Angie Stalter '87

He was an amazing person, teacher and touched the lives of so many. My sincere thoughts and prayers are with his family and for the Lincoln College family. Rob Porachan '88

I loved Mr. Beaver. He was a wonderful professor. Jennifer Hug '93







Class Notes

Mel Finzer '65 and his wife Carolyn celebrated their 49th wedding anniversary on July 26, 2018. They went to listen to a local band in Naperville who played "Side by Side" especially for the Finzers in honor of their special day!

Robert Kern '70 has published a two-part novella

"College-Bound for Misadventure" which includes
Misadventure I: 'Going Postal' in Lincoln, Illinois -OR- How
Kent State Saved My Posterior and Misadventure II: The
Continuing Education of Robby Michaels -OR- How
to Get an A+ in Visual Arts 101 Without Really Trying,
based on actual experiences of two separate events,
a year apart, at two colleges. Available on Amazon.
com in paperback and E-book or in print at Womrath's
Book Store in Bronxville, NY and Anderson's Book Store in
Larchmont, NY. The President and Lisa Gerlach were able
to visit with Robert in New York last fall.

Jan Bowers '81 is a three-time winner of the Illinois State Senior Women's Amateur Golf Championship. Jan won the 49th annual tournament at Metamora Fields Golf Club in September 2018 with a score of 221 (77, 74, 70). She won the Championship in 2017 in Rockford, and in 2015 when it was played in Decatur.

Dominique Vining '89 (Normal campus) would love to welcome alumni and friends at her San Antonio, Texas winery, Water 2 Wine Craft Winery. https://www.water2winesanantonio.com/.

Kent Aberle '92 returned to campus in October to conduct a percussion clinic. Based in Atlanta, Ga., Kent is in high demand as an instructor and recording and touring musician. Check out his website http://kentaberle.com/.

Jason Lumberry '04 was honored by the Galesburg (Illinois) Chamber of Commerce as one of their "20 Under 40" recognizing 20 people under the age of 40 for success in the business community.

After graduating from LC, Jason finished his BA (2006) and MA (2010) at Western Illinois University. He has been

with COUNTRY Financial since 2015 and was named the 2017 Chamber of Commerce Ambassador of the Year, among other awards.

Bobby Wilhelmson '14 happily reports that "My wife and I are working actors in Chicago!" In February, Bobby was in the Remy Bumppo Theatre Company production of "The Father" and Jessi Wilhelmson was in "The Producers" at the Paramount in Aurora.



Lynx Baseball players, and a few spouses, from the classes of '71, '72 and '73 had a minireunion in July 2018. They caught up with their coaches Allen Pickering, Chuck Lindstrom, and Tom Zurkammer '63, and favorite professor Paul Beaver '56, and played in the Golf Outing for Scholarship. From left to right, front row: Candy (Friedman) Snowden '73, Arnie (Brod) Babcock '73; middle row seated: Coach Allen Pickering, Coach Chuck Lindstrom, Coach Tom Zurkammer '63; standing: Mike De Ment '72, Paul Beaver '56, Bill Piskorski '72; back row: Bill Snowden '72, Bob Morris '72, Bill Babcock '73, Dave Aper '71, Mike Paulis '71, Bill Koehn '72, Lyle Fout '72, Ray Sparr '72, Charlie Miller '72.

There's a new face in the Alumni and Advancement office. Join us in welcoming Hannah Farmer, LC class of 2011, who took over as Administrative Assistant when Mary Jo "MJ" Werth retired. Read more about MJ, who was named an Honorary Alumna in November, in the 2018 Alumni Reunion recap. Alumni can reach Hannah at (217) 735-7217 or (877) 522-5867 or email hfarmer@lincolncollege.edu.

We also welcomed back Tom McLaughlin, class of 1994, who has rejoined the A-Team as Annual Giving Officer after a few years away from campus. Between other professional pursuits, Tom has previously served LC as director of the Lincoln Heritage Museum, as a development officer, and as an admissions counselor.



While they were back for their minireunion, Lynx Athletic Hall of Famers Tom Zurkammer '63, Bill Piskorski '72, Mike De Ment '72, and

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Coach Chuck Lindstrom visited
the Hall of Fame Wall in the
Komnick Family Hall of Fame
Room in the Lincoln Center.



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In Memory

Our deepest sympathy to the families of those listed below. Due to space limitations, we are only able to publish each person's name, age, class year, and date of death.

1940s

Lois B. (Garton) Schmidt, 98, 1941, June 9, 2018; Roberta Elizabeth (Staats) Krusemark, 95, 1941, October 17, 2018; Betty Jeanette (Loser) Gustin, 95, 1942, April 28, 2018; Dean B. Rademaker, 93, 1945, January 30, 2019; Robert O. Polley, 94, 1946, September 8, 2018; Alice Marie (Stoltz) Douglas, 94, 1947, April 6, 2017.

1950s

Edward "Ed" Hickey, 88, 1950, January 17, 2019; Carolyn Ruth (Reeser) Lighthall, 88, 1951, September 29, 2017; Robert Eugene Williamson, 87, 1952, May 8, 2018; Carolyn L. (Witham) Burnett, 84, 1954, January 12, 2018; Shirley Marie (Brest) Britt, 85, 1954, May 21, 2018; Lewis Alfonso Garrison, 82, 1956, November 12, 2017; Thomas Charles Tiffany, 87, 1956, May 25, 2018; Paul James Beaver, Jr., 82, 1956, February 27, 2019; Marjorie Jean (Kraus) Davidson, 81, 1957, March 23, 2017; David Franklin Mockler, 82, 1957, November 25, 2018; Helen Florence (Ardito) Morreale, 79, 1958, May 20, 2017; Raymond Dean Wallen, 79, 1958, December 4, 2017.

1960s

Charles Theodore Brainard, 84, 1960, October 5, 2018; James Hunter Lincoln, 75, 1962, October 24, 2017; Billy Lee "Bill" Edwards, 80, 1962, May 23, 2018; Jill Lynn (Bowers) Chandler, 75, 1963, July 6, 2018; Earl Toby Wrolson, 75, 1963, August 20, 2018; Barbara A.nn (McMonagle) Matia, 73, 1964, August 27, 2017; Thomas Frank Black, 74, 1964, September 29, 2017; Roberts Godfrey Hannegan, 76, 1964, May 13, 2018; Paul Franklin "Frank" Rickord, 75, 1964, November 28, 2018; James Edward Clancy, 74, 1965, May 8, 2017; Christopher Eaton "Chris" Metcalf, 73, 1965, January 12, 2018; Edwin Aaron "Ed" Strauss, 73, 1966, May 1, 2018; Robert Gregory "Greg" Dale, 71, 1967, June 2, 2018; Charles Richard "Skip" Allison, 68, 1968, March 3, 2017; Jeanne L. "Jill" Humphrey, 72, 1968, July 20, 2018; Thomas George Mitchell, 68, 1969, December 3, 2017; John H. "Jack" Lee, 68, 1969, November 2, 2017.

1970s

Harryet R. (Read) Sullivan, 86, 1975, August 2, 2018; Harry K. Kendall, 60, 1978, August 27, 2017; Kenneth M. Edel, 61, 1979, September 6, 2018.

1980s

Leslie Andrew "Les" Lee, 53, 1985, May 31, 2018; Harry Lee Seward, 51, 1987, September 10, 2018.

1990s

Mary S. (Devereaux) Anderson, 68, 1993, April 27, 2017.

And we extend our sympathies to the families of these departed faculty and staff members:

Laura J. Adams, former Food Service assistant director, 68, July 30, 2018; Linda L. Baker, former Buildings & Grounds administrative assistant, 69, August 4, 2018; Edwin Carpenter, 85, April 14, 2018, former administration; Fernola Seefeldt Gamble, former assistant to Mr. Balof, 103, January 1, 2019; Kathleen M. McCullough, former Business Office staff, 87, October 24, 2018.

Memorials

Evelyn Bates

Mary Évelyn (Lowe) Bates, wife of late LC Trustee William C. Bates, Jr., passed away August 25, 2018 in Lincoln. She was 89. A Florida native, Evelyn married William Bates in Miami in 1947; they moved to Lincoln in 1950 where he practiced law and served as a Trustee from 1957 to 1985. Evelyn was active with many Lincoln community organizations and was a member of Trinity Episcopal Church. Evelyn was preceded in death by her husband and one infant child. She is survived by her children Amanda (Steve) Roberts, Annette Bates, and former LC Trustee William B. Bates (Lauri), sisters Susie McKinney and Daisy Beck, six grandchildren, and ten great-grandchildren.

Billy Joe Buffington

Bill "Mr. B" Buffington, former fine arts faculty, died September 8, 2018, at home in Springfield, Mo. He was 79. A lifelong music educator, Bill taught in Missouri, Kansas, and Illinois, including at LC from 1984 until his retirement in 2005. Bill led the Lincoln College music department and developed the Express Show Choir, which traveled and performed widely, including in Hawaii and Washington, D.C., on cruise ships, and at Disney World, Epcot, Universal Studios and MGM Studios. He was a member of Music Educators National Conference, American Choral Directors Association, and Jazz Musicians of America. He was named an Honorary LC Alumnus

Jazz Musicians of America. He was named an Honorary LC Alumnus in 2002. Bill is survived by his wife and co-worker of 56 years, Linda, sons William Greggory "Gregg" Buffington (Diane) and Jonathon Allen Buffington (Rebecca), and two grandsons.

Shirley Small Edwards

Former LC Trustee Shirley Small Edwards passed away August 23, 2018, surrounded by family at her home in Lincoln. She was 93. Shirley was born in Lincoln, Ill., grew up in Kansas, attended Sweetbriar College in Virginia and graduated from the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill in 1946. She married Robert Edwards in 1950, and they returned to Lincoln in 1957. Robert served as a LC Trustee from 1977 to 1988; upon his death, Shirley took his seat, serving from 1988 to 2015. Their son John has served as a Trustee since 2015. In addition to her service to Lincoln College, Shirley was on the boards of the Abraham

Lincoln Memorial Hospital Foundation, Logan County Cemetery District, was a founding board member of the Logan County Paramedics Association, and was a member of Trinity Episcopal Church and the Chapter JW P.E.O. Shirley was named an Honorary Alumna of Lincoln College in 2002. She was preceded in death by her husband Robert, and is survived by her children Greer Edwards Broemel (David); Margaret Small Edwards; John Roxborough Edwards (Sharon) and Caroline Edwards Higgins (Mike); and grandchildren Andrew Edwards, Ashley Edwards, Emorie Broemel, Lacy Broemel and Christopher Berg.

J. Richard Stoltz

Joseph Richard Stoltz, Ed.D., past president of Lincoln College, passed away June 25, 2018. He was 82. A graduate of Michigan State University, Boston University, and Columbia University, Stoltz served as LC's 15th president from 1972 to 1977. He loved music and the arts, and was instrumental in the establishment of Lincoln Community Theatre. In his later career, he served in senior administrative positions at Aspen Institute, Virginia Tech, and the U.S. Navy Memorial Foundation. He is survived by his son Kelley, and half-siblings Sue, Barb, Nancy, and Ken.

Nancy L Overby

Nancy L. Overby, adjunct faculty in Math from 1985 to 2000, died December 29, 2017 in Springfield, Ill. She was 77. Nancy is predeceased by her husband Jerry and one grandson; she is survived by her son Michael Overby (Karen), her daughter Michelle Gomez (Tito), three grandchildren, and her sister Judy Selkirk.

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2019 Upcoming Activities & Events



Young America: Lincoln and Intellect exhibit

Lincoln Heritage Museum February 12 – December 14

Honors Assembly & Commencement

Lincoln Center May 11

Alumni & Friends Reception

Kickapoo Creek Winery Edwards, Illinois (northwest of Peoria) June 13

18th Annual LC Lynx Golf Classic

Lincoln Elks Golf Course July 26

Lynx Baseball Reunion

Lincoln campus September 20 – 22

The Grand Soirée

Lincoln Heritage Museum September 28

Trick or Treat with Abe

Lincoln Heritage Museum October 26

Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet

Davidson-Sheffer Gym November 8

Alumni Reunion & Homecoming

Lincoln campus November 8-9

Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day

Lincoln Heritage Museum December 7

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