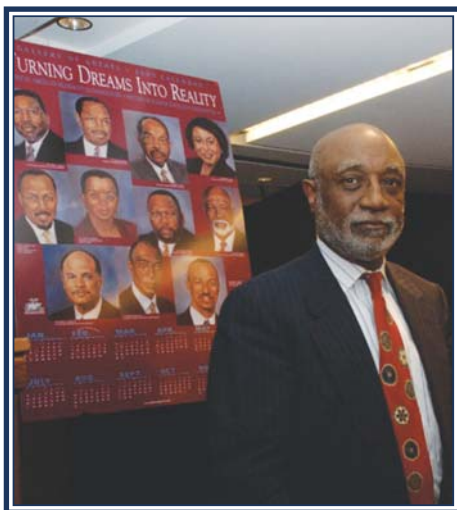


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Corporate Giant Honors Lincoln University President for Distinguished Leadership Role in Higher Education at Reception in Washington, D.C.



Lincoln President Ivory V. Nelson, Ph.D., stands with the 2003 Gallery of Greats Calendar.

Lincoln University President Ivory V. Nelson, Ph.D., who has achieved a national reputation for his distinguished leadership role in higher education, was honored for his exemplary service and accomplishments during the unveiling of the 2003 Gallery of Greats Calendar on January 22 in Washington, D.C.

For the 20th year, the Miller Brewing Company has produced the Gallery of Greats Calendar in an effort to both acknowledge and honor individuals who have made a significant impact within the African American community.

This year, the company partnered with the Thurgood Marshall Scholarship Fund to jointly salute educators.

"The 2003 Gallery of Greats theme, 'Turning Dreams Into Reality,' aptly reflects what you do every day for the thousands of students who walk through your doors," Larry Waters, Miller's corporate relations manager, said in a congratulatory letter to President Nelson. "We are extremely proud to recognize your accomplishments."

President Nelson became the 12th president of the University on August 15, 1999. Before coming to Lincoln, he had served as the president of Central Washington University (CWU) for more than seven years. He was formally inaugurated as Lincoln's president on April 14, 2000. A trained chemist, President Nelson is listed among the world's top scientists. Under President Nelson's leadership, Lincoln is being restored

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Message From The President

Our Unfinished Business

As this nation celebrates February as *Black History Month*, Lincoln University continues to make history. We are very proud of our institution — America's first Historically Black University — and its many outstanding achievements and distinguished alumni.

Our pride swelled to new dimensions when Thurgood Marshall — the first African American Supreme Court Justice and a 1930 Lincoln graduate — was honored in January with a commemorative stamp. In fact, Lincoln has the unprecedented distinction among colleges and universities of having two of its alumni honored with commemorative stamps, all in the span of about a year. Last February, the U.S. Postal Service issued a commemorative, first-class stamp for 1929 Lincoln alumnus Langston Hughes, a world-acclaimed poet.

But as we bask in the glory of the Lincoln Legacy, let us also look ahead. There is the unfinished task of securing our historic mission to provide a world-class higher education at a first-class facility for our students.

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University will launch its first major capital campaign, the \$100-million *Campaign for Lincoln*. Recognizing the push needed to achieve the campaign's goal, Lincoln is seeking to increase the number of alumni contributors from the 543 who gave last fiscal year to at least 1,000 alumni donors by June 30, 2003.

Lincoln is also seeking to increase private financial backing which is critical to offsetting cuts in state funding. Please support Lincoln and its historic legacy of producing leaders to shape their world. Thank you for your continued contributions. **LR**



Ivory V. Nelson, Ph.D.
President

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as the institution of choice for students seeking a world-class higher education. Some of the more notable milestones from President Nelson's administration include:

- For the fall 2002-2003 academic year, Lincoln received a record 4,040 applications from students seeking admission to the University. It was the first time in the 149-year history of the University that Lincoln has received more than 4,000 student applications. The number of new student applicants represented a 26 percent increase. Currently, Lincoln enrolls approximately 2,000 undergraduate and graduate students.
- Lincoln has secured a comprehensive review of the University's organizational and management structures from a leading marketing and research-consulting firm.
- The Board of Trustees adopted the University's Statements of Vision, Mission, Philosophy, and Goals to provide an institutional framework for all of our current policies and operational procedures.
- Lincoln has completely eliminated a \$1.2 million operating deficit.
- Lincoln has strengthened its senior management team by hiring new vice presidents for the University's four divisions: Development and External Relations; Fiscal Affairs; Student Affairs and Enrollment Management; and Academic Affairs.
- Lincoln has implemented a strategic marketing plan to reposition the University; redesigned its promotional logos and Web site; and created a new marketing slogan. LR

Lincoln Launches Office of Minority Male Health



Lincoln launched its Office of Minority Male Health on February 6 at the University's Student Union Building. Lincoln received a grant from the U.S. Department of Health of Human Services/Office of Minority Health to advocate awareness, preventive behavior and education relative to minority male health. Pictured above from left are: Herschel Bailey '66, director, Minority Male Health and Upward Bound Programs; Stefan Jordan '85; Lisa Reeves, assistant director, Minority Male Health; President Ivory V. Nelson, Ph.D.; Dr. Ayo Sanyika '76, director, ACT 101/TIME Learning Resource Center; David Strickland, M.D.; and Vincent Pearson '72, M.D., senior medical director, Independence Blue Cross.

Lincoln Concert Choir Performs at Inaugural Celebration for Pennsylvania's New Governor



The Lincoln University Concert Choir is congratulated by new Pennsylvania Governor Edward G. Rendell and his wife, Judge Midge Rendell (center), at the Governor's Mansion in Harrisburg. Dr. William Garcia, professor of Music and chair of the University's Department of Visual and Performing Arts (to Gov. Rendell's right) is the choir's musical director.

To the delight of captivated audiences, the University's Concert Choir performed at the inaugural celebration of new Pennsylvania Governor Edward G. Rendell in Harrisburg, Pa. on Jan. 21-22. At the special invitation of the new governor, the Concert Choir sang on Jan. 21 at the "Taste of Pennsylvania" event at the State Farm Arena. On the following day, the Concert Choir performed during the open house reception at the Governor's Mansion. During the open house event, Governor Rendell asked musical director Dr. William Garcia, professor of Music and chair of Lincoln's Department of Visual and Performing Arts, to lead the choir in the singing of the state song, "Pennsylvania," as visitors entered the mansion.

Other pieces included "Battle Hymn of the Republic," "Lift Every Voice for Freedom," and "I Want to Thank You, Lord." LR

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K U D O S



Anthony DiFilippo, professor of Sociology, had his op-ed article "Nuclear Weapons Unconstitutional for Japan" to appear in the Nov. 28, 2002 edition of *The Korea Times*, South Korea's most prominent English-language daily newspaper.



Terrence Johnson, lecturer in Sociology and Anthropology, has been appointed to serve on the Middle States Accrediting Body Committee for 2002-2003.

Sesquicentennial Calendar of Events



- April 10, 2003 Kick-off/Honors Celebration
- May 3, 2003 Founder's Day
- May 4, 2003 Commencement
- July 19-20, 2003 Alumni Picnic Weekend
- July 21, 2003 Golf Tournament
- October 19-25, 2003 Homecoming
- March 10, 2004 Honors Convocation
- April 29, 2004 Happy Birthday Lincoln/ Founder's Day
- May 2, 2004 Commencement

For further information, please call (610) 932-1235

NOTEBOOK



Dr. Helen T. Oliver is the new chair of the University's Education Department. Dr. Oliver spent nearly 16 years at Rust College, an Historically Black University in Mississippi. She earned a Ph.D. in educational leadership and a master's in education from the University of Mississippi.

James Simington, Jr. has joined the University as registrar. Prior to Lincoln, he was associate director of records and registration at Community College of Philadelphia. He has a master's degree in administration and supervision from Howard University and a bachelor's in history from Winston-Salem State University.



Ernest C. Levister Jr. '58, M.D.

For Ernest C. Levister Jr., a San Bernardino, California physician and 1958 Lincoln alumnus and trustee, it was a matter of doing the right thing.

Dr. Levister and members of the Vines Medical Society have led the effort to make changes to the Thomas Haider Program in Biomedical Sciences at the University of California-Riverside (UCR). The changes will provide

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Dr. Ernest C. Levister Jr. '58 played key role in changing UCR's pre-med program.

more disadvantaged students an opportunity to fill the 24 openings that are available each year at UCLA's medical school.

The Vines Medical Society, a black medical doctors' organization in Riverside and San Bernardino counties, has been pushing for changes in the UCR pre-med program since 1995.

Medical Program Adopts Changes

The group was dismayed over the lack of black and other minority students selected for the medical school phase of the program.

Because of Dr. Levister's persistence and help from lawmakers, the California Legislature ordered UCR to adopt changes to the elite pre-med program by

early 2003, or lose funding. Under the revisions, students, regardless of major, can apply for the 24 medical school spaces each year. UCR changes will also include the hiring of more minority pre-med faculty.

Previously, students had to apply to the biomedical sciences program as freshmen, a practice that Levister and others felt contributed to the exclusion of graduates from disadvantaged backgrounds.

"Great change has occurred," Dr. Levister said. "It's the first time in the UCR system that outside forces effected change in an academic program."

The Haider Program offers students the opportunity to become doctors in seven years instead of eight. **LR**



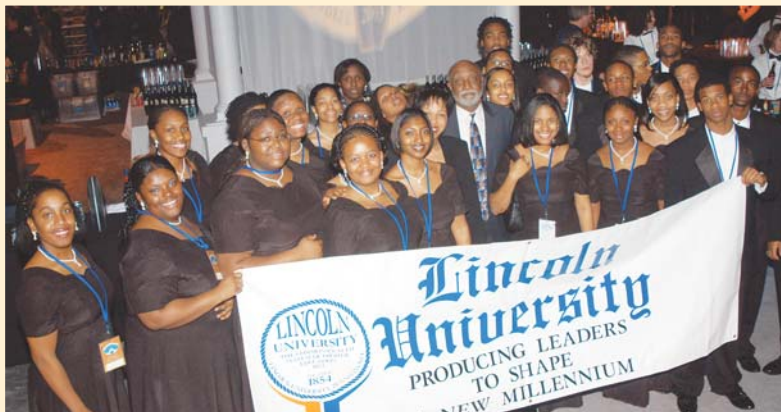
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Lincoln University's Top Class Gifts* (of \$25,000 or more)

Class	Class Gift	Year
1942	\$60,779	1991
1952	\$37,835	2002
1928	\$28,188	1987
1961	\$28,100	2002
1961	\$26,750	2001
1949	\$26,716	2001
1971	\$26,430	2001
1976	\$25,644	2001

*Bequests, matching gifts, and pledges are counted in these totals. Source: Office of Development and Major Gifts
 (Note: Amounts are as of December 12, 2002.)



The Lincoln Concert Choir is greeted by President Ivory V. Nelson, and his wife, Patricia, (center) before their Jan. 21 performance at the Inaugural Celebration for Pennsylvania Gov. Ed Rendell. (see story on page 2).

Lincoln University Salutes Black History Month!

Lincoln Women's Center Opens



Lincoln President Ivory V. Nelson, Ph.D. (center), members of the Lincoln Network Society and other guests, celebrate the opening of the Women's Center. The President's wife, Patricia A. Nelson, Ed.D. (fourth from left in gray jacket), heads the Lincoln Network Society, which created the Women's Center to address the wellness issues of female students.

Lincoln University is a premier, Historically Black University that combines the best elements of a liberal arts and sciences-based undergraduate core curriculum, and selected graduate programs to meet the needs of those living in a highly technological and global society. For more information about Lincoln University, including directions to the campus, the University's Vision, Mission, Philosophy, and Statement of Goals, see our Web site at www.lincoln.edu.