

### LINCOLN UNIVERSITY of the Commonwealth System of Higher Education Lincoln University, PA 19352

# From my desk to yours...

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#### The President's Newsletter

August 31, 2016



Richard Green, Ph.D. Interim President

## WELCOME NEW EMPLOYEES

Andrea Bond HR Generalist Tiffani Brown Coordinator Student Life & Development

Ilani Cason Program Assistant

Timothy Chambers

Interim Band Director Dariq Cobb Admissions Counselor

Tamia Davis Residence Hall Coordinator

**Lauren Falohun** Assistant Women's Basketball Coach

Mike Flanagan Cicso Network Engineer

Jessica Garner Reference Librarian Information Systems Ralph Giraud

Adjunct Faculty

# Welcome!

A warm welcome to the Lincoln University community as we begin the 2016-2017 academic year. I trust that everyone had an enjoyable summer and is settled in as we begin the new fall semester. Over the course of my initial year as interim president, I had the opportunity to work with faculty, staff members, students, and alumni who are determined to continue the advancement of Lincoln University. During this productive time, many undertakings have come to fruition and much was accomplished through mutual respect, perseverance, determination, and patience.

As we enter this new academic year, we cannot forget the tragedies and events that have had a resounding impact on the citizens of the United States and those throughout the world. Our nation and the world have experienced natural disasters, political unrest, and unthinkable acts of violence which has caused great dissent among classes and races. It is during times such as these that I contemplate what we, as citizens of this great country can do to make a difference. Witnessing the comradery and determination of athletes, the peaceful rivalry between entire nations, and sheer joy and excitement of countrymen, families and friends during the Summer Olympic Games in Rio, increased my confidence that we, as human beings have the power and strength within ourselves to come together for a common cause. It also enforced my belief that when united around a common goal with respect for others we can change the world for the betterment of all.

As we move into the 2016-2017 academic year, I challenge all of us to think about what we can do as individuals, and collectively as a Lincoln University family, to effect positive change in the lives of others. I challenge you to not only volunteer, but to also coordinate activities that will bring about social change to help impact the lives of our students and others in our communities who are less fortunate than we are. Let us together make Lincoln University a place that is known not only for its academic excellence, but also for its commitment to impacting the lives of others in a tangible way.

As President, I will be pleased to meet with any individual or group of employees and/or students to discuss initiatives that we might undertake as a family to help serve the needs of those around us. As circumstances change for those we help, they in turn will help others reach their potential. Let us do and be better than our best. As we work towards accomplishing Lincoln University's mission and vision keep this in mind: together we are stronger, together we can!!

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Courtney Haywood Coordinator Student Support Services Brian Hollins Post Award Officer Jameel Judge Interim Asst Band Director Mark MacKrell Campus Police Officer Debra Mason Retail Store Manager Ronal Maurer Campus Security Officer

Brenda McNeil Special Events Manager Lisa Nelson PT Bus Driver

Briyona Nixon Residence Hall Coordinator

Sharvette Philmon Director of Nursing Associate Professor

**Tiphane Purnell** *Residence Hall Coordinator* 

**Dr. Patricia Ramsey** Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Gregory Rice

Campus Police Officer

Larry Shannon Interim Dean College of Science & Technology

**Airis Smallwood** 

Undergrad Admission Counselor

Marsha Spencer BSN Coordinator Community Liaison

**Teymourlouei Haydar** Associate Professor



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Campus Kudos....

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## Welcome Dr. Edgar Berry Interim Vice President for Student Affairs

It is with pleasure that I welcome Dr. Edgar Berry who will serve as Lincoln University's Interim Vice President for Student Affairs beginning August 29<sup>th</sup>. Dr. Berry has over 38 years of professional experience in higher education throughout the United States including positions as Vice President for Student Affairs at Albany State University in Albany, GA and Texas College in Tyler, TX.

Dr. Berry earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology and Social Welfare from St. Augustine's University, a Master of Arts degree in Secondary School Guidance Counseling from Clark Atlanta University, and a Doctorate of Education in Counselor Education from Texas Southern University. He has received numerous awards and recognition for leadership and service.

Committed to diversity and building relationships with alumni and others, Dr. Berry values academic integrity and connecting student affairs with other divisions to build and preserve a community that allows students, faculty, and staff to reach their full intellectual, physical, social, and spiritual potential. With vast experience in developing policies, procedures, programs, and initiatives, he brings with him a cohesive presence to Student Affairs. His exceptional experience and skills will enhance the strength and leadership of the division and the University as a whole. Dr. Berry will promote a value system that includes shared governance and academic achievement.

# ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGES

Positive organizational changes have been made that will strengthen the University as a whole. As a result of these changes, Enrollment Management, Financial Aid, International Programs and Services, and the Marching Band will now report to Academic Affairs.

These changes represent steps to achieving the University's mission and strategic plan imperatives.

Welcome Dr. Berry!

## ARE YOU READY FOR SOME FOOTBALL?!

On Thursday night, September 1, 2016 @ 7:00 pm, the annual Battle of the Firsts will take place with Lincoln University's first football game of the season, televised live!

Join in the fun as the Lincoln Lions take on the Wolves from Cheyney. Wear your orange and blue and bring your Lincoln spirit to this annual tradition! Let the Wolves *Feel the Lion's Roar* as we compete to repeat last year's victory!