



AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH – FEBRUARY 2017



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The story of African American History Month begins in 1915, half a century after the Thirteenth Amendment abolished slavery in the United States. That September, the Harvard-trained historian Carter G. Woodson and the prominent minister Jesse E. Moorland founded the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History, known today as the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH). The group sponsored a national Negro History week in 1926. By the 1960s with the the Civil Rights Movement and growing awareness of African American identity, Black History Month evolved on many college campuses. In 1976, 50 years after the first celebration, President Gerald R. Ford officially recognized Black History Month calling upon the public to “seize the opportunity to honor the too-often neglected accomplishments of Black Americans in every area of endeavor throughout our history.” In 2009, President Barack Obama proclaimed February as National African American History Month.

The 2017 African American History Month theme is “The Crisis in Black Education” focusing on the crucial role of education in the history of African Americans. The crisis in education has grown significantly in urban neighborhoods where public schools lack resources, endure overcrowding, and fail to deliver substantive opportunities. Addressing this crisis should be considered one of the most important goals in America's present and future.

Reference: <https://asalh100.org>

Welcome New Employees

Dr. Velma Charles-Shannon
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Campus Kudos

CIAA® RECOGNIZES COACH FORD AND COACH OVERTON



Congratulations to Lincoln University's Head Track and Field Coach Quanette Ford who was named the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association's Men's Indoor Track and Field Coach of the Week for her team's performed for the period December 3, 2016 - January 14, 2017. Coach Ford is in her first season as head coach, and the first woman to serve in this role for Lincoln University's track and field and cross country programs. In her first meet as Lincoln's head coach, Ford led the Lions to a second place finish at the Bow-Tie Classic at Ursinus College in December. The Lions scored 94.5 points while winning four individual events and one relay. Coach Ford was the assistant coach for the Lions from 2011-13.



Congratulations to Lincoln University's Men's Head Basketball Coach Doug Overton who was named CIAA Coach of the Week for the second time this season on January 20, 2017. The CIAA, in conjunction with the CIAA Men's Basketball Coaches Association and Sports Information Directors Association, announced the honor. The Lions went 2-1 in three road games in one week, earning consecutive road wins at St. Augustine's University and Bowie State. The Lions also defeated Cheyney in the Battle of the Firsts 67-53. This marked the first time since the 2014-15 season that Lincoln won two straight conference road games. Lincoln is 7-14 overall and 5-6 in the CIAA.

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Sponsored by the Office of Religious Life, LEAVES is a program that promotes the Lincoln Legacy and personal development through character, leadership and service. Persons of local, state and national prominence are invited to partner with the university by sharing from their wealth of personal and professional knowledge.



Jason Riley
Thursday, February 2nd
**Special Convocation @ 11:00 a.m.*
***Lunch & Learn @ 12:00 noon*

Jason Riley is a senior fellow at the Manhattan Institute and a columnist for the *Wall Street Journal*, where he has worked for more than 20 years. Riley was a commentator for *Fox News* for over 10 years as well. In addition he has worked for *USA Today* and the *Buffalo News*. He currently resides in suburban New York City with his wife and three children.



Ronald Coleman
Thursday, February 9th
**Special Convocation @ 11:00 am*
***Lunch & Learn @ 12:00 noon*

Lieutenant General **Ronald S. Coleman** (born 1948) is a retired United States Marine. Lt. General Coleman, advanced in rank to lieutenant general on October 27, 2006 and became the second African-American in the Marine Corps to reach the 3-star rank. Beginning in 1968, Lt. General Coleman has continually and honorably served the United States as a leader throughout the world including Vietnam, Japan, the Balkans, Iraq, and Haiti.



John Niva
Tuesday, February 7th
**Special Convocation @ 11:00 a.m.*
***Lunch & Learn @ 12:00 noon*

John Niva is a member of the Kenya Professional Safari Guide Association, an Active member of the East African Wildlife Society, with 29 years of experience and in-depth knowledge of African culture, wildlife, conservation and plant life. Working with and supporting deprived children in various parts of the country, especially in the field of sports, is his passion. He has three children and resides with his family in

**Special (All University) Convocation @ 11:00 a.m.*
Location: Mary Dod Brown Memorial Chapel

***Lunch & Learn @ 12:00 noon*
Location: Mary Dod Brown Memorial Chapel Fellowship Hall
Sign up required via email to: ffaison@lincoln.edu



Beth Reaves
Tuesday, February 14th
**Special Convocation @ 11:00 am*
***Lunch & Learn @ 12:00 noon*

Dr. Beth Reaves is the Head of School at Friends School Mullica Hill, a private Quaker school educating children Pre-K through 8th grade. Dr. Reaves has held the positions of Director of Admissions and Advancement at Friends School, and formerly at Wilmington Montessori School. Dr. Reaves also spent a decade working in corporate marketing for a Fortune 50 company.