

## From my desk to yours...

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The President's Newsletter

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# Welcome and Happy New Year

A warm welcome to new students, and a warm welcome back to everyone in the Lincoln University community. I am sure the holiday season provided a wonderful opportunity for all to spend time with family and friends. This semester promises to be full of activities that will move us forward in 2017.

As we enter this new year, I ask that you take a moment and reflect on a quote by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.,

## "Life's most persistent and urgent question, what are you doing for others?"

The Martin Luther King Day of Service (MLK Day) is celebrated this year on Monday, January 16, 2017, and is observed by Lincoln University. While MLK Day is a National holiday and allows time away from your regular work, please consider this time not as a day off, but as a day to transform Dr. King's teachings into community service by helping and empowering others while strengthening our local communities.

On this year's Day of Service, volunteer in the community and share your time and talents to positively impact the lives of others. For more information on volunteering for the 2017 Day of Service in your community, visit the <u>United We Serve</u> or <u>Greater Philadelphia MLK Day</u> websites.

### LESSONS AND WORDS OF WISDOM: Quotes from Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

**Speak with conviction**: Conscience asks the question, is it right? And there comes a time when we must take a position that is neither safe, nor politic, nor popular, but one must take it because it is right.

**Our stories are intertwined**: All life is interrelated... Whatever affects one directly affects all indirectly.

**Telling the truth is dangerous**: *In the end, we will remember not the words of our enemies, but the silence of our friends.* 

**Your goal should never be popularity**: A genuine leader is not a searcher for consensus but a molder of consensus.

**The first person you need to convince is yourself**: Faith is taking the first step even when you don't see the whole staircase.

Reference: 5 Lessons from MLK on Living, Leading, & Communicating by Jeff Goins (http://goinswriter.com/mlk/)



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## Campus Kudos...

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### **Spirit of Giving Luncheon**

Doug Overton, head coach of the Lincoln University's men's basketball team, will be the guest speaker at the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Spirit of Giving luncheon. The annual luncheon will be held on the national holiday celebrating the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and in support of one of the most important service agencies in the local community, the Oxford Area Neighborhood Services Center (NSC). The luncheon will be held at noon on Monday, January 16 at the Penn's Grove Middle School cafeteria, located at 301 South Fifth Street in Oxford. Tickets may be purchased in advance for a \$35 donation by contacting the NSC via telephone at 610-932-8557 or online at <u>www.oxfordnsc.org</u>. In addition, tickets may be purchased on the day of the event with a checks made payable to the Neighborhood Services Center. All proceeds will assist the NSC to provide nutritious food; financial assistance for housing, heating, and utility services; and healthcare assistance for individuals and families in need. Please contact NSC at the telephone number above for more information.

### Welcome New Employees

Althea Holton Recruiting Assistant

Kevin Myers Campus Police Officer

> Jay Simmons Controller

### Newly Appointed Trustees

The Senate of Pennsylvania recently appointed Cleo Alston as a Commonwealth Trustee to the Lincoln University Board of Trustees, effective November 2, 2016. Alston is a retired businessman from Chester County, Pennsylvania.

In addition, Stephanie Mays-Boyd, vice president, sales and marketing with SMG at the Pennsylvania Convention Center Authority, was recently appointed by the Board of Trustees as a University Trustee at its November 2016 meeting.



#### Lincoln University Receives Commander's Award

Many thanks to the entire Lincoln University family for your generosity! Lincoln University was awarded the Commander's Award by the United States Marine Corps Reserve in recognition for outstanding support of the 2016 Marine Toys for Tots Program.