

From my desk to yours...

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The President's Newsletter

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Richard Green, Ph.D. Interim President

END OF THE BUDGET IMPASSE

Many thanks to the Lincoln University community – students, faculty and staff - for your support during Pennsylvania's budget impasse. Your efforts are directly correlated to the Governor's passing of the bill.

On March 23, 2016, Governor Tom Wolf agreed to allow the 2015-16 appropriations bill to become law without his signature. In addition to funding for education, the appropriations bill also provides financial support for prisons, agriculture programs and health care. As reported by ABC6 News (March 23, 2016), Impasse Over: Governor Wolf to let PA Budget become Law, the Governor stated that "he had convinced himself it was 'time to move on' and start work on the next budget." The bill was made law on Monday, March 28, 2016.

Yes we can! We came together as a community and made a difference in the lives of many. Now, it is "time to move on" while we focus on maintaining fiscal responsibility and celebrating Lincoln University's 162nd graduation ceremonies and the end of the semester!

STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

Throughout the 2015-16 Fiscal Year, the University community has worked on a highly collaborative and thorough process, with retreats, workshops and forums to make recommendations to update Lincoln University's Strategic Plan.

Sincere gratitude and appreciation to everyone who participated in the Strategic Plan review process, which included committed engagement by all involved to secure the future of Lincoln University.

Lincoln University: Advancing the Legacy of Excellence – Mid-Plan Review and Revised 2013-2018 Strategic Plan report will be available in the coming weeks.

By monitoring our programs and adapting as necessary, we will ensure Lincoln University has a successful, sustainable future.

Commencement Speakers and Honorary Degree Recipients Lincoln University Alumnae Dr. Soraya Coley '72 and Prime Minister Saara Kuungongelwa-Amadhila '94

Soraya M. Coley '72, President of California State Polytechnic University – Pomona, and Prime Minister of Namibia, the Honorable Saara Kuungongelwa-Amadhila '94 will serve as speakers at the 162nd Lincoln University graduation ceremonies. Prime Minister Kuungongelwa-Amadhila will speak at the baccalaureate service on Thursday, May 12th and Dr. Coley will provide the commencement address on Friday, May 13th. Both alumnae will receive an honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters at the commencement ceremony.

Dr. Soraya M. Coley, a 1972 graduate of Lincoln University, and veteran administrator with more than 20 years of experience in higher education, became the sixth and first female president of Cal Poly Pomona in January 2015. Dr. Coley has dedicated her life and career to advancing the well-being of society by enriching the quality of life of the underserved through innovative programs designed to strengthen the community and its people.

The Honorable Saara Kuungongelwa-Amadhila earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Economics in 1994 from Lincoln University. The Prime Minister is the fourth and current Prime Minister of Namibia, and the first female positioned in this role in the Namibian government. She was sworn in as Prime Minister of Namibia on March 21, 2015. In 2003, she was appointed Minister of Finance and is recognized for her stringent fiscal discipline and presentation of the country's first ever budget surplus (in 2006/07 and 2007/08) during her tenure in this position.

President Soraya M. Coley and Prime Minister Saara Kuungongelwa-Amadhila further Advance the Lincoln Legacy of Excellence through their exceptional accomplishments and contributions to society.



Campus Kudos....

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Lincoln University Honors Students Visit The Color of Science at the Franklin Institute

At the special request of Dr. Fredrick Bertley, Senior Vice President for Science and Education at the Franklin Institute, 17 Lincoln University STEM majors attended the Color of Science event at the Franklin Institute on April 1, 2016.

The students witnessed Chief Astronomer, Derrick Pitts, NASA Astrobiology Ambassador and Director of the Fels Planetarium at the Franklin Institute, interview representatives on four prominent African American scientists.

- Dr. James West, Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering, co-inventor of the electric microphone, and mentor to a Lincoln University alumna enrolled in the medical program at John Hopkins University;
- Dr. Larry Gladney, Astrophysicist and Associate Dean of Natural Science, University of Pennsylvania, and pioneering engineer of the Lincoln University LASER program;
- Dr. Chad Womack, Senior Vice President of the United Negro College Fund (UNCF) and Director of UNCF STEM initiatives; and
- Mr. Kirk Butler, current Program Manager of Research and Technology Partnership with United Technologies Corporation (UTC) Aerospace Systems.

At the completion of their talks a reception was held that allowed the Lincoln University students to network with each of the scientists.

WELCOME NEW EMPLOYEES

Robert Basquill Campus Police Officer

Alan Gregos Residence Hall Officer

Jeffrey Hostetter Residence Hall Officer

> Deborah Jump Field Supervisor

Michael Leslie Adjunct Instructor



Dwight David Eisenhower Transportation Fellowship Program Application Deadline: April 22, 2016 at 5 pm

Transportation Fellowship

- Tuition, fees & program expenses; Up to \$10,000
- · Or monthly stipend: up to \$1,450
- Include trip to Transportation Research Board conference in Washington, D. C.: up to \$1,500
- Paid internship in transportation sector

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Eligibility

- Undergraduate Junior/Senior fall 2016
- Graduate students
- Transportation-related major*
- Full-time enrollment at Lincoln University
- Conduct ongoing research in one or more transportation-related disciplines
- Plan to enter the transportation profession.
- . U.S. & Non-U.S. Citizens

"Transportation-related majors include: Engineering (all disciplines), Sciences (Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics), Psychology, Business, Political Science, Law, Aviation, Transportation, Criminal Justice, Environmental Science and many more



Baltimore Corps Fellowship

Application deadline is April 30th, 2016.

The **Baltimore Corps Fellowship** is a network of professionals leading impact-oriented initiatives in Baltimore City, the social change capital of America. Working across fields including health, education and workforce development, our community is on the front lines of creating opportunity for Baltimore's communities and families.

Fellowships are full-time, paid positions in a Baltimore nonprofit, social enterprise or government agency. Though the Fellowship is one year, 80% of Fellows are hired by their host organization at the conclusion of the year. For more information and to learn more about our current Fellows, please visit our website at http://www.baltimorecorps.org.

