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Wishing you all a very festive and  
restful semester break!



**In Honor of  
Horace Julian Bond,  
January 14, 1940 – August 15, 2015**

Lincoln University will hold convocation on January 14, 2016 commemorating Julian Bond's life and legacy.

**STRATEGIC PLAN REVIEW**

We are now concluding the Tactical Action Planning stage of our review guided by the seven Strategic Imperatives and the goals for each as developed by faculty, students and staff. This stage of the review process involves developing complete, feasible and practical action plans that will shape the future direction of Lincoln University.

All full-time faculty and selected members of the staff were invited to participate in a second Tactical Action Planning Workshop held on Monday, December 7, 2015. Upon completion of the Tactical Action Plans, implementation and strategic management of the Strategic Plan will continue.

***A Note of Thanks***

Dr. Denise Wilbur, Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs and Mr. Peter Caputo, Interim Vice President for Institutional Advancement will be concluding their terms at the University early in the New Year. Please join me in thanking them for their contributions in their respective divisions during their time at the University. Best wishes in their future endeavors!

**Welcome New Board Members**

Welcome Trustees recently appointed to Lincoln University's Board of Trustees: Mr. Robert Allen '80, Mr. Dimitrius M. Hutcherson, Reverend Dr. Frances Paul '79, and Dr. Deborah C. Thomas '76. These individuals bring with them a wealth of knowledge and experience.

**KUDOS to scholarship recipients Richard Igbiriki and Adaka Iguniwe. Richard received the \$25,000 Apple Scholarship and Internship and Adaka was awarded the Thurgood Marshall Scholarship College Fund!**

## **NURSING PROGRAM RECEIVES ACCREDITATION**

The Nursing Program faculty, staff and students have worked very hard to ensure the success of this Program since the Board approved the nursing curriculum in 2013. As such, I am pleased to announce that in its letter of November 19, 2015, the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) Accreditation stated, "the CCNE Board of Commissioners acted at its meeting on October 19-22, 2015 to grant accreditation to the baccalaureate degree program in nursing at Lincoln University for 5 years." Congratulations to the faculty, staff and students for a job well done!

## **PROMOTING THE EXCELLENCE OF LINCOLN UNIVERSITY**

Lincoln University's Concert Choir continues to promote the excellence of Lincoln University throughout the area. Praise and accolades overflow in letters and emails applauding the students, both for their performance and the way in which they present themselves. [View a recent performance by the Lincoln University Concert Choir.](#)



## **SAFETY IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY**

In the global environment in which we live today, the safety and security of every person is of utmost importance, whether at school, at home, while traveling, shopping, or celebrating. During this holiday season, please be aware of your surroundings at all times and IF YOU SEE SOMETHING... SAY SOMETHING! It's about being able to function without the fear or threat of violence.

Lincoln University's Public Safety Department places the safety of the university community as its highest priority. If you have an emergency please contact 484-365-7211 or 484-365-8139. Our anonymous tip line is 484-365-7799. Additional enhancements will be made in the safety fixtures of the University during the holiday break.

## **GRADS OF HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGES HAVE WELL-BEING EDGE**

An article dated October 27, 2015 at [www.gallup.com](http://www.gallup.com) stated, "black HBCU grads are stronger in purpose and financial well-being," college experiences are different for grads from HBCUs as compared to grads from non-HBCUs, and "more black HBCU grads strongly agree they received support." In addition, the study reveals that,

HBCUS... are battling a number of challenges, including declining enrollment numbers and lower-than-average graduate and retention rates. Despite these challenges, a new Gallup study reveals that black graduates of HBCUs are more likely than black graduates of other institutions to be thriving – strong, consistent and progressing – in a number of areas of their lives, particularly in their financial purpose and well-being.

