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Bruce Block Honored at Reunion 2007



Hollywood film producer and Lincoln College graduate, Bruce A. Block ('68), was honored with the first-ever, Distinguished Alumni Award at the 2007 Alumni Reunion Dinner and Awards Program in April. This newly created award is reserved for graduates who have obtained the highest level of professional accomplishment with notable achievements in a prominent field and who are viewed as influential in that field.

The author of *The Visual Story*, Bruce presented to nearly 250 guests at the Johnston Center for the Performing Arts, during Reunion Weekend. He provided an inside look at filmmaking and what it's really like to live and work in Hollywood. Through anecdotes and hilarious stories, his overall message was to never say no. Be persistent. Seize opportunities and you never know what can happen.

This philosophy has served Bruce well, as he works with many Hollywood writers and directors including Charles Shyer, Nancy Meyers and James L. Brooks directors of "Father of the Bride," "The Parent Trap," "What Women Want," "As Good As It Gets," and his most recent film, "The Holiday."

Director of Alumni Relations Natalie Jeckel McGee ('97) said, "Lincoln College is thrilled that Bruce has found time in his busy schedule to give back to his alma mater. The Distin-

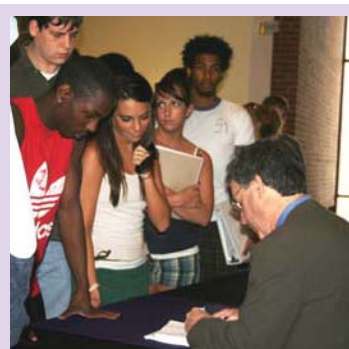
guished Alumni Award is the most prestigious honor bestowed on Lincoln College alumni. Bruce truly deserves this award. In fact, he is a prime example of what Lincoln College can do. This college gives each student a great start."

A native of Cincinnati, Bruce says Lincoln College was a turning point in his life. "I was a late bloomer and Lincoln gave me the time and opportunity I needed to find myself."

Having earned Lincoln College's Best Actor Award in 1968, Bruce continued his education at Carnegie-Mellon University (BFA) and the University of Southern California (MFA), before beginning

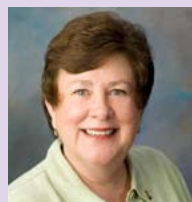
a career in Hollywood. He continues teaching directing courses at USC, a position he has held for 30 years. Bruce's current projects include two DVDs scheduled to be released later this year. He provides commentary about filmmaking and the directors' techniques in "The Graduate" starring Dustin Hoffman and "The Apartment" starring Jack Lemmon.

Other awardees include: Bud Boecker, Donna Bonebrake, George Hill, and Cyndi Slayton-Jackson on page 2 and Sandy MacKinnon on page 8.



Bruce Block signs autographs after his presentation. To view the presentation go online at: www.citv5.com/

Mary McLaughlin Retires



Mary McLaughlin

After 31 years of service, Mary McLaughlin has elected to retire. "In the short time I have been at Lincoln College I have come deeply to appreciate Mary McLaughlin's many contributions to Lincoln College," said President John Hutchinson. "Her high degree of professionalism, strong orientation to students and their success, as well as her academic excellence have made her the consummate teacher-scholar-administrator. We will miss her and wish her the best of luck in the next phase of her journey."

Having been appointed as Director of Admission in 1976, by then President J. Richard Stoltz, Mary was later promoted to Director of Continuing Education. She then became an Associate Professor of English and in 2003 was named Dean of Faculty by President Ronald Schilling.

Mary and her husband Dan, who also retired after 10 years of teaching in the theatre department at Lincoln College, continue to reside in Lincoln, IL. In honor of her commitment and dedication to Lincoln College, she was presented the Honorary Alumni Award at this year's Alumni Reunion Dinner and Awards Program.

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A Message From the President

The College is fortunate to have alumni and friends who recognize the importance of the institution and are willing to contribute to its future.

President Hutchinson



GENEROUS GIFTS STRENGTHEN COMPREHENSIVE CAMPAIGN EFFORTS

In past issues of the *The Lincoln Log*, you have heard of our “If It Hadn’t Been for Lincoln College” comprehensive campaign. We are well into this \$7 million campaign designed to take the College to the next step in its historical journey. The centerpiece of the campaign, of course, is The Lincoln Center, which will house an athletic/convocation center, the Lincoln Museum, a fitness center, a state-of-the-art classroom, offices, and athletic practice rooms. In addition, we are also giving donors an opportunity to make contributions to five other areas:

- (1) Scholarships
- (2) McKinstry Memorial Library
- (3) Educational Technology
- (4) Museum Holdings
- (5) Faculty Development

I am happy to report that the campaign is moving forward and we have received a number of generous contributions.

I would like to take this opportunity to highlight a wonderful gift from the late Anna Behrends ('36). Ms. Behrends left an estate gift of approximately \$500,000

to the College for scholarship purposes. Ms. Behrend’s brother, Bernie ('48), serves on the Board of Trustees at Lincoln College and has been a most generous donor himself. The College is fortunate to have alumni like the Behrends and Sandy MacKinnon (page 8), and friends who recognize the importance of the institution and are willing to contribute to its future.

If you would like more information on the campaign, please contact me or the Office of Institutional Advancement at 877-522-5867. Thanks for your ongoing support.

Reunion 2007 Award Recipients



Bud Boecker '52

Paul “Bud” Boecker ('52) was honored with the Alumni Achievement Award in Service and Leadership. Serving as freshman class president in 1951, Bud continued his education at North Central College. He dedicated his life by serving as a fire fighter for 23 years. He retired in 2005 as Fire Chief at Lisle-Woodridge Fire District. Bud lives in Lisle, IL.



Donna Bonebrake

Donna Bonebrake was presented the Honorary Alumni Award. She served as the Head Women’s Basketball and Softball Coach in the early 1980s. Her 1985 basketball team appeared in the NJCAA National Tournament. In 1981, her softball team placed third. After Lincoln College, Donna continued coaching at Indiana State University where she worked with Olympic athlete Michelle Venturella. Donna resides in Springfield, IN.



George Hill '52

George “Sam” Hill ('52) received the Alumni Achievement Award in Athletics. Having had a successful career as a high school baseball and basketball coach, George also coached at the University of Illinois, U.S. Coast Guard Academy, and The Citadel. He is the author of *The Season*, a memoir of his first head coaching experience. George resides in Parsons, KS.



Cyndi Slayton-Jackson

Cyndi Slayton-Jackson accepted the Honorary Alumni Achievement Award. She is credited for developing the women’s athletic programs at Lincoln College which began in the late 1970s. She recruited and coached the first Lady Lynx basketball, softball, and volleyball teams. Her experience as a varsity player for Illinois State University led her to this position. Cyndi lives in Lincoln, IL.

Other awardees include **Bruce A. Block** ('68) and **Mary McLaughlin** on page 1 and **Sandy MacKinnon** ('60) on page 8.



Does your class year end in a 3 or 8? Save the date for Reunion 2008, April 25-27. The Class of 1958 (50 years) and the Class of 1983 (25 years) will be presented with the Lincoln College Swarovski crystal alumni pin.

Nominate a Classmate for Alumni Awards

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2008 Alumni Achievement and Honorary Alumni Awards. Presented during Alumni Reunion Weekend, the awards recognize alumni and friends of Lincoln College who have shown inspiration to others, characterize values and ideals of Lincoln College, give distinguished service through professional or personal achievement, and demonstrate continuing interest in LC. Nominations must be received by November 15. To nominate someone today, complete an online form at www.lincolncollege.edu/awards.

Students Travel Abroad

Global studies students traveled abroad this summer learning about European cultures and seeing historic sites with Professor Paula Knopp. Here they pose at the Eiffel Tower in Paris, France. All are members of the Class of 2007 and 2008



From left to right: Brittany Burdette, Shalisa Rembert, Desirae Winter, Caleb Olson, Professor Knopp, Debrell Young, Amanda Giamarrino, Autumn Forbes, Johanna Miller, Camille Gebur, and Alli Maas.

Next year Professor Knopp will travel to the South Pacific, Hawaii, Australia and New Zealand in late May. For more information about the trip, e-mail pknopp@lincolncollege.edu.

Chicagoland Alumni Reception



Bud ('52) and Sonja Boecker



Friends from the Class of 1993: Amy Eskew, Nancy DePaul, and Danielle Wojcicki Barnett



Amy Eskew ('93), Vice President for Advancement: Debbie Ackerman ('83), President John Hutchinson, Jean Ann Hutchinson, Director of Alumni Relations: Natalie Jeckel McGee ('97), Development Officer: Rick Samuels, and Nancy DePaul ('93). Not pictured: Bryan Barnett ('93), Herb Berg ('77), Chris ('72) and Dennis Boccard, Robert and Ileene Giering, Case McGee, Keith Rich ('82), Patrick Ross ('89), Jan Samuels, and Bill Storie ('91)

On March 24, Lincoln College held a reception at The Clubhouse in Oakbrook, IL. Guests watched the alumni video and heard President Hutchinson speak about the new Lincoln Center.

Arizona Alumni Reception



Jaclyn Kramer ('97) and Vice President for Advancement, Debbie Ackerman ('83) look at an old yearbook.



Director of Alumni Relations: Natalie Jeckel McGee ('97), Bob Matia, Barb McMonagle Matia ('64), Jaclyn Kramer ('97), Joan Pearlman ('75), Professor Tina Nutt, former Professor Jan Stephenson and her husband Mike. Not pictured, Jean Ann Hutchinson and President John Hutchinson

Former LC professor Jan Stephenson and her husband Mike hosted a reception at their home in Scottsdale, AZ on January 7 for area LC alumni.

WLNX Has a New Home

After nearly 35 years, the home for Lincoln College's radio station, WLNX, moved from the basement of University Hall to a new location at 428 Keokuk Street, about a block from campus. WLNX General Manager and Lincoln College Assistant Professor, John Malone said the move will provide more space and offer a better learning environment. "Our existing location in the basement of University Hall was not designed to house a modern radio station. We were literally growing out of it. I want students to have a complete understanding of the broadcasting industry, and the best way to do that is to train them in a laboratory setting that mirrors the real world," Malone said. The new station opened for classes this Fall.



Tyler Riggs ('08), Program Director and Chris Ackerman ('08), Station Manager at the new WLNX.

We are Lincoln College



Judy (Cummings) Atteberry
Office Manager

Judy is a graduate of Lincoln Community High School. She earned her A.A. from Lincoln College and then went on to obtain a B.S. from Illinois State University. Having begun her stint at Lincoln College in 2005, she is the friendly face you see when you walk into Student Services. When she's not at Lincoln College, you will find Judy reading a book, working in her yard perfecting her landscape and flowers, or refinishing furniture.

Michelle Bauer
Director of Counseling

Michelle received a B.S. from Blackburn College and an M.A. from the University of New Haven in Connecticut. She started her career at Lincoln College in 2002 as a Residence Hall Counselor and Assistant Women's Soccer Coach. Michelle continues to serve as the Coordinator for First-Year Experience, a post she took on in 2004. In addition, she is the Assistant Transfer Coordinator. This girl loves sports and music. She is a HUGE Chicago Bears and White Sox fan. She's also a big fan of her husband Todd and their wiener dog Peanut.

Judy Horn
Director of Health Services

For the past 23 years, Judy has been in her current position. Students at Lincoln College simply know her as "the nurse" (as in, "If you're not feeling well, go see the nurse"). She earned a B.S.N. from Illinois Wesleyan University and is an R.N. who is Board Certified in College Health Nursing. Judy loves to play the piano and sing. She is active at her church where she is a parish nurse. She is also proud to have survived raising two sons and she says she has a very patient husband!

Heather Mueller
Vice President of Enrollment Management and Student Services

After a nationwide search, Heather was hired in July as Vice President of Enrollment Management and Student Services. A native of Minnesota, she earned a B.A. from Concordia College and an M.S. Ed. from Illinois State University. Before coming to Lincoln College in July, Heather was the Executive Director of Enrollment Management and Student Affairs at Thomas University in Georgia. She has previously worked at Rutgers and Illinois State University. In her spare time she enjoys riding her horse, playing guitar, and being outdoors.

Steve Snodgrass
Director of Student Development

Steve is in his 19th year at Lincoln College. From 1988-1992, he worked as an admissions counselor. In his current position he primarily deals with campus discipline. He absolutely loves working with students and finds it rewarding to help them reach their goals. In addition, Steve oversees campus security and parking. He is also an avid outdoorsman who enjoys fishing, bow hunting and camping too. Steve and his wife Paula (They met at LC!) have two daughters: Tanna, age nine and Megan, age eight. The girls keep them very busy!

John Stoltzenburg
Director of Student Activities Assistant Baseball Coach

John earned an A.A. from Lincoln College while playing baseball for the Lynx. He completed a B.S. in Physical Education from Illinois State University. Stoltzy, as he is called, came to Lincoln College in 1995, starting as a Residence Hall Counselor and Security Officer. As a result of his position in Student Activities, he serves as the Yearbook Chairperson, Sponsor of Student Government and Director of Intramurals. Golf, fishing, movies and the Chicago Cubs are John's favorite pastimes. He also likes spending time with his wife Angie and dog Roxy.

Bridgett Thomas
Director of Residence Life

Lincoln College is the "home away from home" for Bridgett. In fact, she is one of the employees with the greatest longevity, having worked here for 26 years. She has also earned an A.A. from LC and a B.A. from Lincoln College - Normal. In 1981, Bridgett began as a switchboard operator, a job she had for five years. She then spent the next 18 years as the Secretary to the Dean of Students, Allen Pickering. Since then she has held her current position in Residence Life. Bridgett is an avid Lynx fan and her husband, Tony, is the Lynx Head Baseball Coach. She also enjoys spending time with her family, watching sports and continuing her education.

"Pleasure in the job puts perfection in the work." -Aristotle

What's New With You?

We always welcome news items from Lincoln College alumni for use in future issues of **The Lincoln Log**. If you have news you would like to share with fellow classmates, you have moved, gotten married or had a baby, please let us know.

Name: _____ Class Year: _____
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Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP Code: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail Address: _____

News: _____

Complete this form online. www.lincolncollege.edu/alumni

Class Notes

Alumni News, Activities and Events

1930s



Vice President of Institutional Advancement, Debbie Ackerman ('83) visits Reva Cullen Hallmann ('33), on a recent trip to Sun City, AZ.

1932

75 years ago, thirty-seven men and women were awarded their diploma in the college chapel at the 65th commencement on Wednesday, June 8, 1932. The ceremony began at 10:00 a.m.

1950s

Charles Hartnett, class of 1952, visited campus in May. An accountant, he currently lives in Monterey Park, CA. **George Hill**, class of 1952, would like to hear from his former classmates. George was recently on campus to receive the Alumni Achievement Award in Athletics during Reunion weekend in April. **Dale Adams**, class of 1956, and his wife Jane, celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary by renewing their vows.



Don Magruder, class of 1956, visited campus in April on his way from his home in Creve Coeur, MO to Detroit, MI for a police badge convention. He is a law enforcement badge

collector who specializes in reserve police badges. www.thereservebadgeguy.com.

1960s

John Iltis, class of 1962, was presented the 2007 DOC Universe Award at the Chicago International Documentary Festival on March 30, for his commitment to promoting documentary cinema in Chicago.



1962 45 years ago

Construction began on Carroll Hall, a men's dormitory that housed 85 men. It was named in recognition of a \$25,000 gift from Mr. and Mrs. Wallace E. Carroll of Lake Forest, IL. The total cost of construction was \$300,000. According to the November 1962 issue of *The Lincoln Log*, "The first floor includes a spacious lounge and conference room in addition to a Housemother's apartment..."



Jack Sparacio, class of 1963, and president and CEO of Plastics Engineering and Development, Inc., visited campus in April, speaking to students about the importance of a Lincoln College education and what it takes to survive in business today.

Kathy Cizek Stath, class of 1967, is a Realtor for ERA Naper Realty in Naperville, IL.

1970s

Marlene Bernstein Samuels, class of 1970, currently works as a self-employed researcher and writer. www.marlenesamuels.com. **Linda Sturgeon-Coleman**, class of 1971, writes to say that she's been out of touch for some time and would like to hear from her former classmates. A mother of 3 and grandmother of 7, she is happy to say that she is now living pain free with her arthritis and fibromyalgia. **Barry Larrain**, class of 1972, was promoted to colonel in the United States Army Reserve. He recently finished a 3 1/2 year assignment as the commander of the 14th psychological operations battalion in Moffett Field, CA.

In Memory

Mildred Smith Randolph, 99, class of 1926, died on Friday, January 12. A former country school teacher, she and her husband lived their entire married lives in Logan County.

Anna Behrends, 90, class of 1936, died on Monday, February 12 at the Christian Village Nursing Home in Lincoln, IL. A retired teacher, she was a long-time supporter of Lincoln College. In 2000, she received the Alumni Achievement Award. The Behrends Admissions Building is also named in honor of her and her brother Bernard.

Joan Maseroni, class of 1957. **Randall David Rogers**, 59, class of 1967, died unexpectedly on January 3 in Apollo, PA where he worked as a self-employed contractor.

Frank Reuwer, 57, class of 1969, passed away on Tuesday, March 6. **David "Dave" Steffens**, 56, class of 1971, died suddenly on Friday, June 1.

Francis Trussel, Jr., class of 2005, died on Saturday, May 26, while serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom. He served overseas as a tank operator for the U.S. Army.

Francine Lazar, class of 2007, passed away in February after a long illness. She received an Associate in Arts degree posthumously at the 2007 commencement.

Dr. John Randolph, 67, member of the Lincoln College Board of Trustees, died on Wednesday, April 4 at his home in Bloomington, IL. Five years ago he was diagnosed with multiple myeloma. He practiced at Gailey Eye Clinic for 33 years.

He served as the commander of Task Force 14, in Operation Iraqi Freedom in Baghdad, Iraq. In his civilian occupation, he is the northwest regional sales manager for Hyster Company. He and

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his wife **Barbara Mills Larrain**, class of 1972, have been married for 35 years.



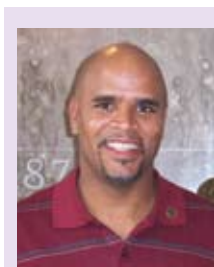
Skip Kitchen, class of 1972, aboard the USS Ronald Reagan (CVN-76) for Tiger Cruise 2007; a seven-day trip from Honolulu to San Diego.

Carmen McFadden Webb, class of 1975, works for Cooper & Scully, P.C. as a billing specialist. On June 9, she married Darrell Webb. They reside in Dallas, TX.

James "Jim" Finchum, class of 1976, is a public service administrator for Social Security Disability in the State of Illinois. Jim and his wife Carole are the parents of Josh who is a sophomore at Lincoln College.

Patricia Campos Sawyer, class of 1977, works as a case management supervisor for the non-profit organization, Illinois Migrant Council in Cobden, IL.

Ronnie Jones, class of 1977, was a referee for the Illinois High School Association State Boys' Basketball Tournament.



Harry Kendall, class of 1978, lives in Temecula, CA. He came to campus in April while visiting family in Lincoln. While on the campus tour, he saw his old room in Carroll Hall and was interviewed live on WLN radio.

Charles Gardiner, class of 1979, is the owner of C&G Marketers. He resides in Evanston, IL.

1980s

Alex Dawson, class of 1981, works for the Lincoln Correctional Center in Lincoln, IL as a casework supervisor.

Christina Chiu, class of 1982, is the managing director for Ming Shing Plastic and Metal Fty. Ltd. She and

her husband Jonathan live with their children Joseph and Jessica in Hong Kong.

Scott Joslin, class of 1982, lives in Bloomington, IL and recently celebrated his 25th anniversary with State Farm Insurance Companies where he works as a computer specialist.

Andrea Myerson Berman, class of 1983, is the author of *Lincoln: Echoes of the Past*. This book is based upon her experiences as a student at Lincoln College. It is available on Amazon.com or at Barnes and Noble.



Kevin McCaster, class of 1983, received the Medal of Valor. He is a corporal for the city of Downey police department in Downey, CA.

Kristi Rackley, class of 1984, wishes Coach Donna Bonebrake congratulations for receiving the Honorary Alumni Award at Reunion this year. Kristi has fond memories of her time at Lincoln College and would like to hear from her former softball and basketball teammates.

Ryan Baker, class of 1986, wrote *How Would I Paint the World*, a children's book. It is available at www.outskirtspress.com. Baker lives in Decatur, IL with his wife and two daughters.

Colette Mobley Sales, class of 1986, works for American InterContinental University as an admissions advisor.

Patti Bottrell Davis, class of 1987, is an administrative assistant for AIG American General, a life and disability insurance company in Springfield, IL.

Kevin McCormack, class of 1987, is the president of Healthy Bark, LLC, a retail business providing all-natural pet food, supplements, and other unique goods for cats and dogs. www.wagnwash.com.

Micki Allen Callister, class of 1988, is a personal trainer in Cannon Falls, MN. She owns and operates Fitness Is Good!



Stephen Buntrock, class of 1988, played Gaston in Walt Disney's *Beauty and the Beast* on Broadway. This fall he is taking on a new role as Teen Angel in *Grease* which opened August 19 at the Brooks Atkinson Theatre in New York. He and his wife Erin Dilly, live in New Jersey. Pictured are Professor Tina Nutt, Stephen Buntrock ('88), and Professor Jan Bowers after seeing Stephen in *Beauty and the Beast*.

David Malec, class of 1989, owns Daydream Video, which provides professional wedding and corporate videography in Madison, WI.

Kris Smith Nunez, class of 1989, teaches high school English at Rock Falls High School in Rock Falls, IL.



Amy Eskew ('93), **Darien Ritterbush** ('94), **Rick Salazar** ('93), **Danielle Barnett** ('93), and **Nancy DePaul** ('93).

1990s

Wendy Cameron, class of 1990, is a laboratory supervisor for the American Red Cross in Peoria, IL. **Jeffrey Fizer**, class of 1990, works for the United States Postal Service.

Heather Wurth, class of 1990, serves as a police sergeant for the city of Milwaukee's police department.

Mike Loeffelholz, class of 1991, is in an episode of *Day Break* on ABC. Watch him online at abc.com. He's a passenger on the plane in the first couple of minutes of the January 29 episode titled "What if He's Free."

George Gershon, class of 1992, works for Wells Fargo Home Mortgage as a senior mortgage banker in White Bear Lake, MN. **Michael Leab**, class of 1992, is an account manager for Uticor in Bettendorf, IA.

Jeannette Goeschel Barlow, class of 1993, works at Jacksonville High School as a coach and physical education teacher in Jacksonville, IL. **Paris Parham**, class of 1993, was named as the assistant basketball coach for Illinois State University in Normal, IL. **Jason Morin**, class of 1994, is the general manager for Brighton Car Wash in Naperville, IL. **Sheila James-Foster O'Brien**, class of 1994, works for the Illinois School for the Visually Impaired in Jacksonville, IL. She is a dietician. **Al Rossi**, class of 1994, and his wife **Denise McFarland Rossi**, class of 1995, recently purchased Town and Country Barber shop in Delphi, IN. **Jason Boyd**, class of 1997, is the owner and operator of Boyd's Travel Group in Urbandale, IA. On January 12, he was married to Megan Rae O'Leary. **Jennifer Greenaway Baedke**, class of 1998, welcomed her first child Addison Christina Baedke on August 18. She and her husband Jason live in Lake in the Hills, IL. **Andrew Brock**, class of 1998, is a defense analyst for General Dynamics Advanced Information Systems in the Department of Homeland Security in Washington, D.C. **Emily Sarnes Leonard**, class of 1998, lives in Havana, IL with her husband Chad. She is a stay at home mom to Jackson, 7; Aaron, 5; and Jillian, 3. **Rachel Wolfson**, class of 1998, works as an administrative assistant for Bass/Schuler Entertainment in Chicago, IL.

2000s

Candace Sheley Company, class of 2001, works as an underwriter for State Farm Insurance Companies in Bloomington, IL. She and her husband Jeff have two children, Noah, 2, and Alyssa, 1. **Sarah Costin**, class of 2001, recently celebrated her one-year anniversary at CCC Information Services in Chicago, IL. She works as a registration services specialist and lives in Downers Grove, IL. **Robert "Mitch" Martin**, class of 2001, is a member of Bucket Boys, a hip-hop percussive duo that combines music, laughter, and positive life skills. www.bucketboys.net.



Jennifer Sydney, class of 2000, is a founding member of Rushforth Productions. She starred in Vassily Sigarev's *Ladybird* at the Bootleg Theatre in Los Angeles, CA. Here she is with the cast. From left, Jennifer, Ned Mochel, Yasen Peyankov, Jeff Perry (*Grey's Anatomy*, *Prison Break*), York Griffith, Sarah Utterback (*Grey's Anatomy*) and Patrick Mapel. www.rushforthproductions.com.

Angie Bossingham, class of 2002, works as a teacher's aide at Lincoln Community High School in Lincoln, IL. **Angela Belchenko**, class of 2002, earned a spot as a Pacemate for the Indiana Pacers. **Brandon Davidson**, class of 2003, is an insurance agent with Cornerstone America, Inc. in Pittsburgh, PA. **Summer Holley Oatman**, class of 2003, works for the Pekin YWCA as an infant and toddler teacher. She resides in Pekin, IL with her husband David. **Steven Ferrell**, class of 2004, is a financial advisor in Lombard, IL at Ameriprise Financial Services, Inc. **Jason Lumberry**, class of 2004, is working as a counselor for Knox County Mary Davis Home, a juvenile detention

center in Galesburg, IL. **Kristin Rucks**, class of 2005, recently graduated from MacMurray College with a degree in Elementary Education. **Sarah Musser**, class of 2006, is currently a student at Illinois State University. **Tiffany Tungate**, class of 2006, is working on a physical education degree at Western Illinois University. **Jason Richards**, class of 2007, was nominated for the Irene Ryan Award competition, a coveted collegiate acting award. He was selected for his portrayal of Dr. Lyman in Lincoln College's production of *Bus Stop*. Richards is currently attending the University of Iowa. **Justin Hale**, class of 2008, placed 6th at the national wrestling tournament. A freshman from Bloomington, IL, he was also named an All-American. **Ken Jordan**, class of 2008, was named an All-American at the national wrestling tournament in February. He is a sophomore at Lincoln College and was national wrestling champion at 133 pounds. **Craig Noort**, class of 2008, was nominated for the Irene Ryan Award competition, a coveted collegiate acting award. His portrayal of Bo Decker, the lead in Lincoln College's production of *Bus Stop* earned him this nomination. Noort is a sophomore at Lincoln College.



Women's Basketball Alumni came back to campus on February 17 for a scrimmage game. Former players were (from left) Kristin Rucks '05, Latoria Lane '06, Angie Bossingham '02, Sarah McLaughlin Clark '02, Brittany Ingram '05, Candace Sheley Company '01, Tiffany Tungate '06, and Sarah Musser '06. Front Row: Ronni Beebe '02.

Alumni Directory Planned

The Office of Alumni Relations has partnered with Harris Connect to produce the first ever Lincoln College Alumni Directory. Starting this December, e-mail and direct mail questionnaires will be sent to Alumni so they can verify their information. The directory is scheduled to be released in September 2008. Alumni will have the opportunity to share their personal information and even include a photograph or personal note about their Lincoln College experience.

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Alum's Surprise Gift Boosts Campaign



Director of Alumni Relations, Natalie Jeckel McGee ('97), Sandy MacKinnon ('60), and President John Hutchinson. Sandy received the 2007 Alumni Achievement Award in business.

Lincoln College graduate Alex D. "Sandy" MacKinnon, ('60) of Tampa, FL remembers the supportive education he received when he first entered college in 1958. He is returning that support by making a gift of \$100,000 that will help build The Lincoln Center, a new gymnasium and museum for

Lincoln College. MacKinnon surprised the crowd at the annual Alumni Reunion Dinner and Awards Program when he announced that he was presenting President Hutchinson with a check to help make The Lincoln Center a reality. That night, MacKinnon was in attendance to receive the Alumni Achievement in Business award.

He said that he was filled with emotions when he was on campus. "I am very humbled to receive this award and I am grateful that Lincoln College gave me a chance at getting an education." MacKinnon is CEO of Yale Lift Trucks of Florida and Georgia. He has served on multiple community projects in the Tampa area which include: Florida 2012, the Greater Tampa Chamber of Commerce, and the Tampa Sports Authority where he was an active member in the planning of the Raymond James Stadium, the home of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

President Hutchinson said he was touched by MacKinnon's support. "This gift is an extraordinary boost to our comprehensive campaign and it is so touching to recognize that this gift represents a payback for the power of Lincoln College in transforming Mr. MacKinnon's life. He told me 'to whom much has been given, much will be asked.' He has certainly lived out this sentiment. We are deeply grateful." Vice President of Institutional Advancement Debbie Ackerman said the gift helps bring the reality of a new Lincoln Center into focus.

ABE Program

Working students earn degree

Starting this fall, working professionals can pursue their educational goals at Lincoln College-Normal through the ABE (Accelerated Bridge to Education) program. This innovative approach to education is designed to meet the needs of working adults who wish to complete a bachelor's degree without a significant disruption to their already busy schedules.

Each week, students meet for one four-hour class and cover a semester's worth of college-level material in only five weeks. Parts of each course are completed online. This accelerated format allows students to take up to three courses sequentially in a semester, earning up to 27 credit hours in a single calendar year.

Students can complete general education requirements or pursue bachelor's degrees in business or liberal arts. Pam Johnston, ABE Program Coordinator, anticipates that the program's versatility will appeal to adult students in the community, "This academic delivery model is so well suited for the adult learner that the students in this program can easily find a balance between work, family, and a successful academic experience." For more information, please contact the Lincoln College - Normal Office of Admissions at (309) 452-0500 or visit the web site at www.lincolncollege.edu/normal/abe.

FUTURE EVENTS

October 25-28	October 27	November 2	April 25-27
Of Mice and Men Johnston Center for the Performing Arts Lincoln College	Women's Young Alumni Basketball Game Lincoln College 1:00 p.m.	Chicagoland Alumni Reception Rock Bottom Brewery One West Grand Chicago, IL 5:30 p.m.	Alumni Reunion 2008 Lincoln College

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