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Leaders are Defined by What Others Accomplish

I want everyone (faculty, staff, students, alumni, and friends) to know what a tremendous honor it has been to serve as president of Lincoln College the past three years. I will forever treasure the relationships with the Lincoln College family and the rewarding, yet challenging times we’ve faced together. Lincoln College will always hold a special place in my heart, and Barb and I will continue to support it in every way possible. As I prepare to retire, I am amazed at all our people have accomplished with very limited resources in this short window of time. I’ve always believed that leaders are defined by what others accomplish during their watch. A real leader creates an environment where ordinary people are encouraged and empowered to do extraordinary things.

With the unwavering support of the Board of Trustees, I believe we have created such an environment at Lincoln College during some very trying times in higher education, especially for small private colleges.

Possibly the most critical accomplishment was receiving another ten year accreditation from the Higher Learning Commission. Under the tremendous leadership of Dr. Gigi Fansler, our people endured a two- plus year project of an in-depth self-study to prepare for the Peer Review conducted by the HLC. Co-chairs Sue Merrick and Paula Knopp, along with more than half of our employees on both campuses, spent hundreds of hours in addition to doing their full time jobs in preparation for this important milestone. It was a true team effort leading to a very positive and rewarding result!

In addition to the excellent job of teaching by our dedicated faculty, there have been many successful events and initiatives during the last three years – almost too many to list. At the risk of leaving out many, I want to identify and congratulate the leaders and their staffs for some of the significant ones.

**Creation of the Men’s Volleyball Team**
Coach Mark Tippett, AD Dave Klemm, VP Rick Samuels, VP Greg Eimer

**Relocation and Enhancement of the Student Success Center**
Dr. Gigi Fansler, Tami Goodrich, Ronda Piatt, the Maintenance & IT Staff

**Civility Initiative**
Dr. Tina Nutt, Dean Bridgett Thomas, Faculty and Staff

**Preparation for and Execution of the 150th Celebration and Comprehensive Campaign**
VP Debbie Ackerman, Tracy Bergin, Tom & Brittney McLaughlin, the Advancement Staff

**Expansion of the Accelerated Bridge to Education (ABE) program to multiple locations**
Dean Jeff Kratz and the entire ABE staff

**Macon County Farm Sale to provide financial flexibility**
VP Greg Eimer, Trustees Bob Neal & Quentin Sparks

**Conversion of the Ceramic Building to the TV studio**
Prof. John Malone, Ronda Piatt, Maintenance Staff

**State and National Recognition for Assessment of Student Outcomes**
Dr. Gigi Fansler, Dean Jeff Kratz, Prof. Karin Wright, Prof. John Hill

**Completion and Grand Opening of the Lincoln Heritage Museum**
Director Ron Keller, Asst. Dir. Anne Moseley, Friends of the Lincoln Heritage Museum

**Completion and Grand Opening of the Creekside Environmental Center**
Dr. Dennis Campbell, Dr. Pam Moriearty, Dr. Campbell’s family, volunteers

**University of Illinois College of Aces Transfer Agreement**
Dr. Gigi Fansler, Dr. Tina Nutt, Michelle Bauer, Admissions Staff

**Reinstatement of Homecoming Week for our students**
VP Debbie Ackerman, Jeff Nelson, Dean Bridgett Thomas, the entire Advancement Team

**Creation of the Lincoln College Athletic Hall of Fame**
Provost Emeritus Tom Zurkammer, VP Rick Samuels, VP Debbie Ackerman, AD Dave Klemm

**Creation and Implementation of the Summer Bridge Program to improve student retention**
Dr. Gigi Fansler, Dr. Tina Nutt, Shannon Kline, Tami Goodrich, Dean Bridgett Thomas, Jeff Nelson, Dining Hall, Maintenance, Ronda Piatt, The Woods Foundation

**Creation of the Friends of the Lincoln Heritage Museum**
Dir. Ron Keller, VP Debbie Ackerman, Trustee Dan Weinberg, Community Leaders Chuck Fricke, Rick Hamm, and Caroline Higgins

There are many unsung heroes who have taken on additional work to make these initiatives possible and successful. They include the leadership and staffs of the Maintenance Departments, Student Services, Registrar, Business Office, Dining Hall, Financial Aid, Admissions, our Administrative Assistants, and numerous cross functional committees.

A special thank you to my Administrative Assistant Amy Gallagher and the Vice Presidents who make up the Cabinet. These people are all true professionals and will be critical to the success of the next President and the future of the College.

There is one other important group that provides the financial resources to allow our people to be innovative and creative in serving our students. That group is comprised of our generous donors. We are thrilled to honor them in this edition of the Log. Big or small every gift makes a difference.

John Blackburn, President
The Lynx Lair was packed for the second Athletic Hall of Fame induction ceremony on Nov. 7, 2014. Many former teammates, players and colleagues, as well as family and friends, attended to honor the inductees. Congratulations, again, to Mike Lumpp ’62, Dennis Werth ’73, Lynn Thompson ’81, and coaches Allen Pickering and Cynthia Slayton Jackson.

Go LYNX!

Save the Date
Hall of Fame Banquet
November 6th, 2015
On February 6, 1865, the Illinois General Assembly approved the Charter for Lincoln University.

On February 6, 2015, Lincoln College kicked off our Sesquicentennial year with a special ceremony. President John Blackburn, several members of the Board of Trustees, members of the local Chamber of Commerce, and many faculty, staff, and students gathered in front of University Hall to hear Lincoln Mayor Keith Snyder read a Resolution on behalf of the city of Lincoln. The resolution declared Feb. 6 “Lincoln College Sesquicentennial Day” and the rest of 2015 as “Lincoln College Sesquicentennial Celebration Year.”

On February 8, 2015, the celebration continued with the Charter Day Convocation. State Representative Rich Brauer presented President Blackburn with a congratulatory resolution from the General Assembly of the State of Illinois.

Dr. Wayne C. Temple, Chief Deputy Director of the Illinois State Archives and successor to James G. Randall as the “Dean of Lincoln Scholars” was the guest of honor. The Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree was conferred on Dr. Temple by President Blackburn, Robert Neal, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, and Dr. Gigi Fansler, Vice President for Academic Affairs. Dr. Temple then shared stories of Abraham Lincoln, his relationships with John Milton Hay and George Nicolay, and their connections with central Illinois. Temple has been researching the Hay family for his new book. After Dr. Temple’s presentation, Lincoln Heritage Museum Director Ron Keller moderated a question and answer session.

In addition to the resolutions by the City and the Illinois General Assembly, Senator Dick Durbin and Congressman Aaron Schock both recognized Lincoln College’s 150th anniversary by reading statements into the Congressional Record for the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives.

The celebration concluded with a reception and book signing in the Vance Family Dance Studio.
150TH ANNIVERSARY OF LINCOLN COLLEGE

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I rise to honor the 150th anniversary for Lincoln College in Lincoln, IL. One hundred and fifty years ago tomorrow, the Illinois General Assembly granted a charter establishing the new college, originally known as Lincoln University. Just 6 days later, on President Abraham Lincoln's 56th birthday, ground was broken for University Hall, a building still in use today. Lincoln University was the first institution to be named for Abraham Lincoln and the only during his lifetime. The first commencement in 1868 included a total of three students—two men and one woman. Lincoln College has come a long way.

This year, Lincoln College enrolled about 650 students, and 90 percent of those who graduate will continue their education at a 4-year university. Lincoln College now has campuses in Lincoln and Normal, IL, with a tradition of personal education. By providing a low faculty to student ratio, Lincoln College offers individualized attention that makes the difference between failure and success for many students. The school provides a springboard for students who go on to continue their education and helps students find good paying jobs.

Lincoln College offers more than just great student services and academic programs that are second to none. Lincoln College fields a number of varsity sports teams that have won national championships, hosts a speaker series, and maintains Civil War era artifacts at the Lincoln Heritage Museum.

I thank President John Blackburn for his leadership at Lincoln College and congratulate the institution on 150 years of providing Illinois students with a quality affordable education.

(At the request of Mr. REID, the following statement was ordered to be printed in the RECORD.)
As Lincoln College celebrates its Sesquicentennial, who better to share thoughts on the Lincoln College legacy than a person whose personal and professional relationship with the institution has lasted over six decades? That person could only be Professor Emeritus Paul Beaver ’56.

Beaver grew up in Logan County and attended Lincoln College, graduating with his Associate in Arts degree in May 1956. As a Lynx, he played on Coach Bud Seigmund’s baseball team, and in his classes he cultivated a keen interest in Abraham Lincoln and Logan County history.

He went on to Illinois State University, graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1959. He went to work teaching at Elkhart Elementary School, and completed his Master’s degree at ISU in 1964.

In 1966, Lincoln College President Raymond Dooley recruited Beaver to return to LC to teach history and to serve as the College’s very first Student Activities Director. Beaver also took over as curator of the Lincoln Collection from historian James Hickey, and was witness to the January 1969 Administration Building fire that nearly destroyed the priceless collection that Judge Lawrence B. Stringer (class of 1887) had bequeathed the College just 25 short years before.

Beaver served as curator of the Lincoln Museum for several years. He taught full time until 1999, then continued teaching part-time until he retired in 2002.


Beaver is a member of the Chicago Civil War Round Table and the Abraham Lincoln Association.

He was named the Lincoln Courier Man of the Month in October 1978 and the Courier Citizen of the Year for 2008. He was recognized with a Lincoln College Alumni Achievement Award in 2000 and received the LaVeta Zurkammer Alumni Award in 2013. He continues to serve on the Lincoln/Logan Alumni Committee and gives lectures and presentations on Logan County and Lincoln history.

Professor Beaver would enjoy hearing from his Lincoln College classmates and former students and colleagues. He can be reached by e-mailing paulbeaver@frontier.com.
The building I entered on my very first day at Lincoln College no longer exists. It was consumed by a terrible fire on a wintery night in January of 1969. We called it AB which is short for Administration Building. It stood where the Johnston Center building now resides.

Other than historic University Hall where most all of our classes were held in that September over a half century ago, the Administration Building was the nerve center of the College. I remember going up the stairs to the main floor or office area that first morning and seeing my best friend from high school, Duane Follis. He was doing the same thing I was doing — looking for our classroom. He and I and a little more than 200 others were the total college student body at that time.

That first floor held the offices of President Raymond Dooley (left as you came upstairs) and his wife’s (Florence Dooley) student recruitment office. Next was an office for our school psychologist, Dr. Madrigale McKeever, a general business office, and a registrar’s office, all on the south side. Mr. C. A. Balof, our esteemed business manager had a large office on the north side. There were also two classrooms on that side. One of those was the domain of history professor, Onalee Balof. She was the professor with a first class reputation. As Dr. Tom Zurkammer said of her, “If you dropped your pencil, you lost three centuries before you picked it up.”

How does Lincoln College influence you as a student? Mrs. Balof is the major reason I chose it. Mrs. Balof is the major reason I chose it. How does Lincoln College influence you as a student? Mrs. Balof is the major reason I chose it.

Another influence was Leola Dowling, a new art teacher my freshman year. Thanks to her, I developed an interest in paintings for the first time.

The top floor of “AB” held the theater and a small chapel. The library was in the basement under the care of librarian, Phylis Pooley. Soon thereafter, she married William Stigall, an excellent professor of literature.

In the far corner of that basement stood a vault which housed the college’s priceless collection of Abraham Lincoln material. We were told that Trustee David Hart had seen to the construction of a tile ceiling over the vault to protect it in case of fire. It was not until the morning after the fire when I looked at the burned remains of AB that I realized the tile roof story was true. There among the sea of glowing coals was the Lincoln vault still standing.

Back to when I was first a student, Lincoln College had few other buildings. The next large building was the “old” Gym of 1920’s vintage. It was not updated until later. I really did see Don Travis fly out the front double doors and land on the hood of a car during a basketball game we were playing.

When I was a student at Lincoln College, there were no girls’ sports. We had baseball and basketball for boys. We also had a small tennis team. None of these sports featured “recruited” players. Most players were “local” or whoever came out for the teams from the student body. Things were starting to change with the recruitment of James Lloyd, a basketball guard from Elizabeth, Illinois. He was in my freshman class. John Spafford was the first “high profile” recruit two years later. The early basketball recruiting was done by then coach C.T. “Bud” Siegmund. Some scholarship help may have gone to George Sproule from Winnetka, Mike Kelley from Matono, Don Vinnage, Rosssmayne, Ohio, or Larry Jones from Indianapolis. I do know that Bill Zimmer of Hartem was recruited by Coach Siegmund as, I believe, was Carl Hobbs from the same high school. With the arrival of Coach Norm Kaye in the late 1950’s, the basketball program accelerated to the top flight program Lincoln College has today.

Most of the boys were housed in old World War II barracks located behind the gym. Girls were mostly commuters or had residence in a huge three story house called Harts Hall on the corner of Tremont and Ottawa streets. This is not to be confused with Harts Science Hall of today.

Some of my Lynx baseball teammates were housed in the “Green” house on the corner of Ottawa Street and Lincoln Avenue. It would seem tame by today’s standards, but Dale Adams, Don Vinnage and tennis player Jerry Fox found it a lively home away from home. President Dooley’s home still stands on the corner of Ottawa and Keokuk streets. Mrs. Dooley used to serve spaghetti suppers to all incoming freshmen at least once during their first year. The original dining hall has since burned, but my friends who ate there said the food was always good, just like today.

During those years as a student, I remember that the teachers (professors) really cared about the students.

They talked to you, they worked with you, they wanted you to succeed, and were happy when you did. When President Dooley brought me back to Lincoln College to teach in 1966, I was happy to see that even with all the new buildings and a much larger student body, these faculty virtues had not changed. Lincoln College’s teaching philosophy was the same as I remembered it.
Dr. Raymond Dooley in many, many ways saved Lincoln College and was the president who built the modern campus. The college had barely survived the depression and the small student body brought on by World War II. Dr. and Mrs. Dooley were a team. Mrs. Dooley (Florence) went to the suburban high schools and recruited students. My friend, Jerry Fox, tells of seeing a rather lonely Mrs. Dooley at a small table during a "college night" at his high school. The next thing he knew, Mrs. Dooley convinced him to enroll in our, unknown to him, Lincoln College. He said he never regretted it. Dr. Dooley developed relationships in the Chicago area which led to buildings like Olin-Sang Hall in 1957 and then more dorms, a refurbished gym, a science and office building (Harts), Johnston Center for the Performing Arts, and there was no real stopping as a trip around the campus will show. These relationships often later found Chicago men and women on the Board of Trustees, honors given out at graduation, and groups of friends and supporters who were essential to the growth of Lincoln College.

Starting my college teaching career in the 1960’s was really an adventure. I taught U. S. History, World History, and my favorite, Lincoln in the Civil War. I taught "past" history while the present was in great turmoil. Lincoln College had its own Vietnam War protests. These were hard for Brayton Danner, our science professor and a decorated World War II veteran, to understand.

Streaking occurred between Keokuk Street and the "old" gym. A large crowd was always in attendance. A small house used by students along the way was painted a multitude of colors. We referred to it as the Psychedelic House. These same "kids" as we called them, were great in class.

These young men and women were both bright and interesting, and today they are successful business people, teachers, lawyers and lifesaving physicians in the United States and around the world.
In the 70s and 80s, Lincoln College became better known around the country. In 1970, I was happy to be involved as curator in the creation and opening of the new Abraham Lincoln Museum in the new McKinstry Library. Helen McKinstry’s gift of a large, beautiful Library (building) was one of the most important upgrades to Lincoln College during this period.

Sports also exploded on the state and national scenes during this period. Coach Al Pickering’s basketball team finished second in the nation at a time when all Junior Colleges in the country played in one single tournament. Many remember the tumultuous homecoming for the team. Chuck Lindstrom’s baseball team was powerful. One of those players, Dennis Werth, later played with the Yankees. Rex Branum, and later Dave Klemm, had national wrestling champions. Swimming and diving caught national attention, and the women’s programs headed by Cindy Slayton-Jackson and Donna Bonebrake came into their own.

Mike Hartnett was director of student activities during many of my years at Lincoln College. Mike and his wife Barb served as dorm directors in one of the women’s dorms. Their tales of student’s sometimes strange behavior are now a part of legend.

What I remember most about the period of the 60s and beyond was the feeling of energy and desire to succeed on the part of the students. They always seemed happy and engaged with life. Students were involved with many of the great issues of the day — especially the war in Vietnam.

This year marks the 150th year that Lincoln College and the first city to be named for Abraham Lincoln have lived mostly in harmony with each other. The community has always realized that students are great for the local economy, and the community has enjoyed many basketball games [men’s and women’s] and other sporting events, as well as plays, musicals, and many lectures and cultural events. Many alumni like myself, both in the area and at a distance, all enjoy these events.

We alumni still have a strong bridge between ourselves and the school that gave us that important start and continues to give meaning to the statement,

“If it hadn’t been for Lincoln College.”

In my opinion, what Lincoln College did in my day as a student through this present day was to have a “first class” faculty and staff. This, after all, is the core to success. For years after they have graduated, students return for reunions and homecomings and want to “reconnect” with a certain teacher or someone on the staff who was particularly “close” to and helpful to them while they were so young at Lincoln College.

Having been a historian for most of my life, it was always a point of pride to hear how other historians around our country regarded Lincoln College and its place in both educational and Abraham Lincoln history. The new museum has added immensely to the latter.

Looking back on a teaching career that spanned over three decades at Lincoln College, my memory of teaching was that every day was a new adventure. There was never a day that I did not look forward to getting to school to begin teaching a class — even Egyptian history at 8:00 a.m.

One last thought. This old Administration Building will always be a very special place for me. Thanks to my sister, Judith Beaver Coogan ’58, I met my wife to be, Sue Moore, on the theater stairs in that great old building when Sue was a student at Lincoln College. Later our daughters, Ann and Amy and Amy’s husband, John O’Donnell, were Lincoln students and graduates. Again, it’s the same refrain, “If it hadn’t been for Lincoln College...”
If you think of charitable giving as a sacrifice, spend some time with longtime Lincoln College Trustee and major donor Bernard “Bernie” Behrends ’48 and you’ll quickly learn that’s not how he sees it.

Behrends has spent a lifetime giving back to his community, including Lincoln College. Yet, he’s quick to say that he’s never felt personally deprived of anything as a result. In fact, just the opposite.

Proud of his Christian faith, he says he’s a “grateful giver,” who believes in sharing the blessings and fruit of his own labors with his community.

“Giving never hurts anybody,” he says.

Born in Lincoln in 1921, Behrends personifies the story of “humble beginnings”—his father died when he was six, and his grandfather moved into the household with his mother in order to help make ends meet. He recalls times as a child during the Great Depression when there was no money or food in the house. He credits his mother with instilling in him the deep faith that he still carries to this day.

He joined the Navy in 1942, serving in 13 major engagements in the South Pacific on the aircraft carrier USS Belleau Wood. After the war he returned to his hometown. He used the GI Bill to attend Lincoln College. After graduation he went on to earn an engineering degree at Bradley University in Peoria, Ill.

Behrends spent 32 years working as a civil engineer for the Illinois Department of Transportation. He also served 40 years as Director, including years as President and CEO, of the Hartsburg State Bank.

His charitable service dates back to at least 1944 when he was in San Francisco waiting for his ship to be repaired. Behrends learned of a blood drive to aid in the Pacific Theater. He volunteered and gave his first pint of blood—a donation that would be repeated dozens of times over the next 40 years.

In 1998 Behrends and his late sister Anna established The Anna K. and Bernard E. Behrends Endowed Scholarship Fund. The Logan County Voiture #985 of the Forty & Eight established an endowed scholarship at Lincoln College in 2002.

Anna Behrends was a 1936 graduate of Lincoln College and taught in area schools for 42 years. She was actively involved in Immanuel Lutheran Church for more than 65 years, teaching Sunday school class for 40 years.

To further demonstrate his passion for education and the mission of Lincoln College, Behrends recently informed the administration that he has made provisions in his will to provide a $1 million gift.

Helping local students is a priority of Behrends, who admits to a preference of scholarships over capital construction such as buildings. In his view, it’s the education that goes on inside that takes priority—“buildings are just bricks and mortar. But with a good teacher you can learn a lot.”

He also believes in targeting his efforts toward Lincoln and Logan County students.

Supporting Lincoln College means the dollars stay in his home community and benefit the local economy.

Encouraging local students to attend school in Lincoln means they are more likely to remain in the community after graduation, building a new generation that will invest in the area.

While his own hard work and determination have given Behrends the means to make sizable contributions to Lincoln College and the larger Logan County community, his life story also illustrates how anyone can build charitable giving into their life, regardless of personal means.

From that first blood donation while serving in the Navy to his involvement in veterans groups immediately after World War II, Behrends sought to live up to the lessons he learned from his mother and church.
Many times, he says, contributions take the form of time, rather than money. At other times, he has enlisted friends and colleagues and encouraged them to join in making contributions. By reaching out to others and engaging them in projects and fund raising, he points out that one individual can multiply his or her impact without costing themselves anything.

He’s also quick to acknowledge that smart giving can assure that one does not need to deny or shortchange family members in the process.

By using financial planning tools available to anyone, Behrends points out that he will provide Lincoln College with a million dollar gift while still assuring that his wife Anastasia will have a secure source of income all her life, thanks to a Single Life Charitable Annuity Trust.

Through the endowed scholarship and his many other contributions of time and resources to Lincoln College—as well as his support to numerous other local organizations—Bernie Behrends serves as a model for those wishing to give back to their communities, God, and country.

Individuals who support the mission of Lincoln College with a bequest or other planned gift (by naming us as a beneficiary of your retirement plan, life insurance or insurance annuity assets) are recognized as members of the Harts Society, named for Lincoln College benefactor and former trustee David H. Harts (1878-1962). If you have remembered Lincoln College in your estate plan, please notify the Advancement Office so that your wishes are properly documented to ensure they are appropriately fulfilled. For more information about making a planned gift to Lincoln College, contact the Vice President of Institutional Advancement Debbie Ackerman at 877-522-5867 or by e-mail at dackerman@lincolncollege.edu.

Congratulations!

Samantha (Miller) Riesen ’04 and David Riesen ’03 & ’06 announced the arrival of Christopher David Riesen in August 2013.

Samantha writes, “We couldn’t be happier! Thank you, Lincoln, for bringing the two of us into each other’s lives!”

St. Louis Cardinals vs. Chicago Cubs

Saturday, June 27, 2015 at 6:15 PM
Busch Stadium • All Inclusive • Larger Suites!

Cost $165 Includes game ticket, air-conditioned Party Suites 213-214, door prizes, unlimited Budweiser, O’Doul’s and Coca-Cola products, and a two-hour unlimited buffet with Hunter Hot Dogs, Mesquite BBQ beef brisket, brats, BBQ chicken, Buffalo mac & cheese, nachos, mixed green salad, cookies and brownies.

2:00 p.m. Motorcoach departs Lincoln College (Round trip motorcoach transportation will be available if minimum guest count is met. Cost will be an additional $35 per person.)

2:30 p.m. Pickup in Springfield (Cracker Barrel parking lot off Toronto Road)

4:15 p.m. Ballpark gates open
Enter Gate 2 and take escalator to the 2nd floor
Buffet, Beer & Soda service begins

6:15 p.m. Game Starts (Game time is subject to change.)

Order tickets with credit card by calling the Alumni Office toll-free at 877-522-5867.

Get your tickets early – quantity is limited. All sales are final. Tickets are non-refundable.

Please be aware that while your ticket indicates a specific row and seat, our party room seating is not assigned and will be available on a first come-first served basis with seats both inside and outside.
Did you and your classmates ever sneak into the attic of University Hall and write your name in the stairwell or on the walls of the cupola? Have you ever wondered if your name is still there? Or wondered who else’s names are written there? This year you can find out!

With 150 years behind us, we’ve planned a historic schedule of events for Alumni Reunion 2015, including a special presentation on University Hall and an opportunity for alumni and friends to climb the stairs to the very top of the building that started it all.

Other weekend highlights are outlined here, but there may be a few surprises still to come. Call, text, or Facebook your classmates and plan to join us in celebrating the Lincoln College Sesquicentennial at Alumni Reunion 2015!

(Schedule subject to change. Check the website for updates: http://alumni.lincolncollege.edu/lc-event/alumni-reunion-weekend/)

Friday, April 24

Scott Joslin Fitness Center
Lincoln Center, 2nd floor
Open 6 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Complimentary access for all alumni on Alumni Weekend.

Self-guided campus walking tours
Get reacquainted with campus at your own pace. Pamphlets with the campus map and information about campus buildings and points of interest will be available at the Alumni Office and at various events on Friday evening and Saturday morning.

LYNX Bookstore
Open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Stop in and stock up on Lynx Gear! 10% discount for all alumni on Alumni Weekend.

Lincoln Heritage Museum
Lincoln Center atrium entrance
Open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Regular hours and tours from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission $5
The timed audio/video tour of the second floor gallery takes approximately 75 minutes; the final timed tour of the day will begin by 2:45 p.m. To fully experience the first and second floor exhibits, please allow 90 minutes to 2 hours for your Museum visit.

Extended hours for alumni: 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. 1st floor exhibits only, free admission.

View two special exhibits, “Lincoln College, Embracing our Past, Empowering our Future” which celebrates the 150th anniversary of the founding of Lincoln College, and “Now He Belongs to the Ages” which commemorates the 150th anniversary of the assassination of President Abraham Lincoln.

Wine & Brew Reception
Lincoln Center, Jack D. Nutt Arena
5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Admission: $10 (includes hors d’oeuvres and 3 complimentary tasting tickets; additional tastes, glasses or bottles may be purchased from the winery and brewery)
Relax and catch up with friends and classmates at the Wine & Brew Reception featuring Kickapoo Creek Winery (Edwards, Ill.) and Rolling Meadows Brewery (Cantrall, Ill.). Live music will be provided by LC’s Gypsy Jazz Guitar Trio.

Lincoln College Jazz Concert
Johnston Center for Performing Arts Main Stage
7:30 p.m to 9 p.m.
The concert will feature the full Jazz Ensemble as well as several combos and vocalists. Free admission for alumni. The Lincoln College Jazz Studies program has gained a reputation for technical and creative excellence. Their fall concert was sold out, so we will be holding a block of seats for alumni who want to attend the concert following the Wine & Brew Reception.

Wondering what to do after the Wine & Brew Reception or the Jazz Concert? Lincoln has several great restaurants where you and your classmates can gather for dinner Friday evening. Visit http://www.destinationlogancountyiil.com/things-to-do/dining/ for a complete list of Lincoln and Logan County dining options.
Saturday, April 25

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Open House at President’s Residence
204 Lincoln Avenue
8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m.
Join us for coffee and light refreshments, meet President Blackburn, and see this beautiful College residence located a few blocks from campus.

Tour of Creekside Outdoor Center for Environmental Education*
9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
Meet in front of the Davidson-Sheffer Gymnasium at 9:30 a.m. for a short bus ride to Creekside. Creekside is an innovative 4-acre educational site recognized by the scientific community for its biological diversity and geological and archeological significance. The Center features a lecture pavilion, insectarium, green house, restored tall grass prairie, native gardens, demonstration pond, solar and wind energy developments, storm water management and rain garden, nature trails and access to Sugar Creek near the location that Illinois’ largest wooly mammoth fossil was discovered in 2005. Dr. Dennis Campbell, Lincoln College professor of life and earth sciences, will conduct the tour. (*weather permitting, sneakers/boots recommended)

Alumni & Friends Brunch
Meyer-Evans Student Center, Carroll Family Alumni Room
10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Mingle with fellow alumni over brunch in the Alumni Room. Cost: $8

Lincoln Heritage Museum
Lincoln Center atrium entrance
Open 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
11 a.m. to 1 p.m. — Alumni weekend special: Free walk-through tours of the first and second floor galleries
1 p.m. to 4 p.m. — Regular timed tours. Admission $5
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Living History Performance
Lincoln Heritage Museum, Lincoln Center
1 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Senior Theatre major Alexa Maxey presents “Louisa Hawes’s Story: How Logan County Mourned a President and Friend, a dramatic portrayal related to the Lincoln assassination and funeral.

Classic Car Cruise-In*
Lincoln Center parking lot
1 p.m. – 4 p.m.
Cruise down memory lane and get your Route 66 kicks as we celebrate Lincoln College’s Sesquicentennial! Lincoln and Lincoln College’s historical connection with the “Mother Road” is second only to our connection with Abraham Lincoln. Reunion Saturday will be the first cruise-in of the year for Lincoln’s Railsplitter Antique Auto Club. All area car clubs and Lincoln College alumni and friends are welcome to participate. If you own a classic car, cruise in and join the fun! (*weather permitting)

LYNX Baseball Double Header
Galen & Robert Shirley Baseball Field
1 p.m., Lincoln vs. Heartland Community College

Lady LYNX Softball Double Header
Softball field
1 p.m., Lincoln vs. Lewis & Clark
Time subject to change; check the schedule calendar for updates: http://athletics.lincolncollege.edu/schedules/

University Hall: Past & Future, University Hall
2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
University Hall was Lincoln University for the first three decades of our history, housing classrooms, the chapel, administrative offices, physical education, and all other university functions. Over the years, there have been renovations and remodels, tornados and fires, and the addition of many new buildings. 150 years later, University Hall remains the beloved flagship of the Lincoln campus.

Lincoln College Professor Emeritus Paul Beaver ’56 and architect John Bishop ’90 team up to discuss the history and future of University Hall, including upcoming restoration plans. In honor of the Sesquicentennial, all floors (including the basement and attic) of University Hall will be open to visitors following the program for anyone willing and able to climb the stairs.
Cocktail Reception, Dinner, and Awards Program
Lincoln Center, Jack D. Nutt Arena
5 p.m. to 9:15 p.m., Cost: $30

Alumni & Friends Cocktail Reception
5 p.m. to 6 p.m.
After a busy day of activities, finish catching up with friends and classmates over a plate of hors d’oeuvres and your beverage of choice.

Alumni Dinner & Awards Program
6 p.m. to 9:15 p.m.
The highlight of Reunion Weekend is always the Dinner and Awards Program. Returning classes will be recognized at the beginning of the program. Members of classes celebrating their silver (1990), gold (1965), or platinum (1940 or 1945) anniversary will receive a Lincoln College Swarovski crystal alumni pin.

We have reserved blocks of rooms with special rates at the hotels listed below; rates listed do not include tax. Deadlines vary by location, so please make your reservations as early as possible for best rates and availability. Be sure to mention Lincoln College Reunion when you make your reservation.

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LYNX LOYALTY!

2014-15 has been the inaugural year for the Lynx Pep Band. Under the leadership of band director Bill Rhoda ’09, the Pep Band has played for both Men’s and Women’s basketball games. Band members are affectionately known as the “Beasts of the Balcony” because they play from the balcony in the Jack D. Nutt Arena.

To add to the excitement of LC’s Sesquicentennial, the long-lost lyrics for the Lincoln College fight song “Lynx Loyalty,” penned by legendary Lynx Basketball coach Norm Kaye himself, were discovered in a 1962 issue of the Lincolnian:

Lynx Loyalty
We’re loyal, Oh yes we’re loyal
To Lincoln College Lynx.
We hail you throughout the battle
What’er the odds may be.
Triumphant we are in spirit—
With hearts of do or die;
In memory, we’ll remember
The Lynx are you and I — HEY!

The Pep Band has learned the music and will teach the song to the players and fans so everyone’s ready to sing loud and proud at Homecoming 2015. GO LYNX!

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- Open House at the President’s Residence (no charge)*
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- Alumni and Friends Brunch $8 pp
- Cruise-In participant (I plan to bring my classic car!)*
- Lincoln Heritage Museum Tour*
- Living History Presentation —Alexa Maxey presents “Louisa Hawes’s Story” (no charge)*
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Hostick Theater
April 15-19

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April 24-25
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April 26
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Jack D. Nutt Arena, Lincoln Center
May 9
Combined commencement Lincoln and Normal campuses
Guest speaker: Gov. Bruce Rauner

Cubs/Cards Baseball
Busch Stadium, St. Louis, Mo.
June 27

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