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Pennsylvania Black Conference on Higher Education Newsletter

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Dr. John B. Craig
President

PBCOHE Turns 50!

As PBCOHE makes its mark on history in 2020 by celebrating 50 years of service as a professional organization in Pennsylvania, we want to extend our heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to our members for your exemplary work, and to our partners and friends for your prayers and steadfast commitment. We could not have reached this historical moment without you.

Tribute to Innovators

In this spirit of appreciation, we want to pay tribute to African Americans who have contributed to our lives and society. Let us consider the gifts of these men and women as we honor them in this winter edition: Dr. Shirley Jackson, Physicist — Touch-Tone Telephone; Lewis Latimer, Inventor/Draftsman — Carbon Filament; Marie Ban Brittan Brown, Nurse/Inventor — Closed Circuit Television Security; Otis Boykin, Inventor — IBM Computer and Pacemaker; Lonnie G. Johnson, Aerospace Engineer — Super Soaker; Charles Drew, Doctor/ Medical Researcher — Blood Bank and Plasma Programs; Marion R. Croak, Voice Technology — Voice-Over Internet Protocol (VoIP); Lisa Gelobter — Shockwave Web-Animation or Gif on the Web; Philip Emeagwali, Scientist — first Super Computer; Dr. Jesse Ernest Wilkins, Jr., Mathematician — Mathematical Models to explain Gamma Radiation; Elijah McCoy, Inventor — “the Real McCoy” Steam Engine Lubrication System; Garrett Morgan, Inventor — Gas Mask; Mary Davidson, Inventor — Walker. To learn more about them go to thinkgrowth.org.

There is a well known saying that “A man’s gift will make room for him and bring him before great men” (Proverbs 18:16) - KJV

PBCOHE Congratulates!!



Frederick Shegog, Optimist Award, Delaware County Community College. Armani Davis, Ph.D, Robert Morris University. Pricilla Robertson, D.Ed, Indiana University of Pennsylvania and Joseph Croskey, Ph.D, Indiana University of Pennsylvania. (Names listed from left to right)



PBCOHE REMEMBERS DR. SHIRLEY DIXON



COURTESY OF CATHY YUNGMANN: Dr. Dixon celebrates the granting of her doctoral degree at Cabrini University in 2018.

“Shirley was an iconic member of the Cabrini community, serving as a loyal trustee, proud three-time graduate, beloved faculty member, and respected leader in college-wide diversity efforts,” said president Donald B. Taylor. “Her impact on the field of education and on the Cabrini family has been immeasurable.”

UPCOMING EVENTS

Pittsburgh Theological Seminary is hosting the 22nd Annual Pittsburgh Racial Justice Summit on January 24 and 25, 2020. Info at: pts.edu or call 412-362-5610

Penn State Altoona will offer activities and events to celebrate Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Week, January 20 - 24, 2020. Info at: sap406@psu.edu or call 814-949-5053

Shippensburg University is hosting the Inaugural Latinx Symposium on April 16 and 17, 2020. Contact Rochelle Plummer at RDPlummer@ship.edu. Also, consider attending Shippensburg University Minds@Work Conference Celebrating Student Research, Scholarship, and Creativity on April, 21, 2020 | 3:30 - 9:00 PM. Info at sbaek@ship.edu or call 717-447-1251.

Save the Date! PBCOHE 50th Anniversary - Pittsburgh, PA

PBCOHE: A 50 Year Journey
Our Past, Our Present & Our Future
in Higher Education

March 26th - 28th, 2020

50th Anniversary Conference
KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Benjamin Crump, Esq.

Attorney Benjamin Crump is the founder and principal owner of Crump Law. Through his steadfast dedication to justice and service, the renowned civil rights and personal injury attorney has established himself as one of the nations foremost lawyers and advocates for social justice. He has been designated as an Honorary Fellow by the University of Pennsylvania College of Law.

[2020 Registration Booklet](#)

[Early Bird \(Jan. 15th, 2020\)](#)

[Regular February 22nd, 2020](#)

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[Special Rates apply for:](#)

[Presenters, Daily, Events and Emeritus](#)

[Hotel Reservation \(reservation group rate deadline is February 22nd, 2020 5:00pm\)](#)