51st Annual Convocation and Investiture of Laureates

Saturday, the ninth day of May Two thousand fifteen

State Capitol
House of Representatives Chamber
Springfield, Illinois

Lincoln appreciated the power of 'living histories' as a source of wisdom and inspiration for future generations. The Lincoln Academy of Illinois was created to recognize the living histories of those who walk among us believing, as Lincoln did, that those living histories remind future generations of the endless possibilities ahead. We gather to recognize the living histories of our time – individuals who exemplify the highest ideals of their respective callings, whose lives and contributions to society perpetuate the complete spectrum of human endeavor. They are the 'Lincoln hearted' people among us.

Dr. Thomas F. Schwartz Laureate of The Lincoln Academy of Illinois Illinois State Historian 1993-2011

Introductory Music

Sangamon Woodwind Consort Cindy Garretson Dia Langellier

Flute Flute

Cathy McGuire

Bassoon

Call to Order

Dennis Lyle Regent of the Academy

Processional*

The Academic Trustees, Rectors, General Trustees, Regents, Regents for Life, Laureates, Clergy, Officers of the Academy and the Governor of the State of Illinois

Presentation of Colors*

114th Regiment Illinois Volunteer Infantry (Reactivated)

The National Anthem*

The University of Illinois Men's Glee Club

Invocation*

The Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Springfield

Opening of the Convocation

The Chancellor

Welcome

The Honorable Michael Madigan Speaker of the House of Representatives

Illinois

The University of Illinois Men's Glee Club Barrington Coleman Director

Decoration of Laureates

Arthur H. Bunn
The Honorable Ertharin Cousin
J. Roland Folse
Sara Vaughn Gabbard
Gary Slutkin
W. Russell Withers, Jr.

Remarks

The Honorable Bruce Rauner, Governor of the State of Illinois

Battle Hymn of the RepublicThe University of Illinois Men's Glee Club

Installation of the Ninth Chancellor of the Academy William Bennett

Benediction*

Dr. Susan Koch Chancellor of the University of Illinois Springfield

Recessional*

Honoring the Great Citizens of Today

The Order of Lincoln was established in 1964 by Proclamation of the Governor of Illinois to honor individuals whose contributions to the betterment of humanity have been accomplished in Illinois, or whose achievements have brought honor to the state because of their identity with it, whether by birth or residence. It is the state's highest award for professional achievement and public service.

To insure that no political connotation should surround the award, The Lincoln Academy of Illinois was established to administer the program and select the honorees-- an independent, non-partisan organization governed by a Board of Regents and a membership of General Trustees and Rectors. The Governor of Illinois is the President of the Academy, and the Board of Regents elects a Chancellor who serves as the Academy's Chief Executive Officer.

The insignia of the Order of Lincoln is a variant of the Maltese cross (with ten points rather than eight). The obverse displays the Arms of the State of Illinois encircled by the inscription 'Palmam Qui Meruit, Ferat' ('Let him who merits bear the palm' -- words from Horatio Viscount Nelson). The reverse central disc features the likeness of President Lincoln in gold. The cross is suspended from a ribbon in the colors of the state's symbols: red for the state bird, the cardinal; violet for the state flower; and green for the state tree, the oak.

Celebrating the Great Citizens of Tomorrow

In 1975, the mission of the Academy was expanded to include a student laureate program honoring over fifty students each year – one from each four-year college and university in Illinois and one student representing our state's community colleges – chosen by their college presidents on the basis of academic achievement and community service.

Funds raised each spring at the Academy's Order of Lincoln Convocation help provide funding for the Abraham Lincoln Civic Engagement Scholarships presented to each of the 56 student laureates at a separate ceremony held each fall at the Old State Capitol Historic Site in Springfield.

Thus, by honoring the Great Citizens of Today we also celebrate the Great Citizens of Tomorrow.

Mr. Lincoln would be proud.

Arthur H. Bunn

Arthur H. Bunn is President and Chief Executive Officer of Bunn-O-Matic Corporation, a preeminent corporate citizen of Illinois and a leading global supplier of coffee and specialty beverage equipment. Founded by his father and headquartered in Springfield, Illinois, Bunn-O-Matic Corporation has plants and warehouses in five North American locations as well as offices and warehouses in Mexico, Brazil, Germany, China, and the United Kingdom.

Founded in 1957, the company developed the first coffee filter for commercial use and has been an innovator and leader in the coffee industry ever since.

In 1988, Mr. Bunn – universally known as "Hy" – became the company's President and CEO. During his tenure, he has expanded the company's focus beyond coffee to include dispensed beverage equipment for a wide variety of specialty beverage products.

His business success is paralleled by his civic and philanthropic endeavors. He and the corporation support the arts, education, and social service organizations locally and globally. Under his leadership, the company launched the Community Outreach program which provides paid time off for company employees to engage in local volunteer initiatives. In the program's six year history Bunn employees have volunteered more than 12,000 hours, serving 250 organizations.

In 2012, under his leadership the corporation established the Development Guild, a group of 20 individuals dedicated to identifying and executing initiatives that improve quality of life for under-served populations. In addition, Bunn-O-Matic Corporation is engaged in a wide range of legislative, educational, and environmental initiatives to cultivate a brighter, more prosperous and more sustainable future.

Leading by personal example, Hy Bunn is a pre-eminent citizen of Illinois – providing a lifetime of service to a wide range of civic and charitable organizations in the state and beyond – including the Community Foundation for the Land of Lincoln, Southern Illinois University HealthCare and the Lawrenceville School.

Ertharin Cousin

Ertharin Cousin is the 12th Executive Director of the United Nations World Food Programme, the world's largest humanitarian organization. She oversees a \$4.5 billion annual budget and 13,000 person staff, serving more than 90 million beneficiaries in 80 countries. Last year alone, the World Food Programme fed more than 97 million people.

Ambassador Cousin was born in Chicago's Lawndale neighborhood in 1971 and was one of the first women to enter Chicago's top-rated Lane Technical High School. From there, she graduated from the University of Illinois at Chicago and the University of Georgia School of Law.

In 1994 she joined the Clinton administration, serving as White House Liaison to the State Department and Senior Advisor to the Secretary of State during the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta. In 1997, she received a four year appointment from the White House to the Board for International Food and Agricultural Development. In 2002, she joined America's Second Harvest (now known as Feeding America) as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer -- the largest domestic hunger organization in the United States.

Ms. Cousin was appointed in 2009 by President Barack Obama to be the U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations Agencies for Food and Agriculture, and head of the U.S. Mission to the U.N. Agencies in Rome.

As the U.S. representative in Rome, she has advanced the cooperation and collaboration of the three Rome-based food and agriculture agencies: the World Food Programme, the Food and Agriculture Organization, and the International Fund for Agriculture Development.

This past year, Ambassador Cousin was ranked number 45 on *Forbes* magazine's list of "The World's 100 Most Powerful Women" and named to the *TIME* magazine's "100 Most Influential People In The World" list.

"My mission is simple," she has said, "to end hunger in my lifetime."

J. Roland Folse

Dr. J. Roland Folse will forever be cherished for the legacy he has left at Southern Illinois University School of Medicine, specifically in the Department of Surgery where he spent much of his life working towards the betterment of humanity.

In 1971, Dr. Folse arrived at the recently formed SIU School of Medicine as a professor and the Department of Surgery's new Chairman. His dream of crafting a Department of Surgery for the community would soon be realized.

Born in Texas, Dr. Folse began his medical career at Johns Hopkins Medical School and Hospital in Maryland, where he received his medical degree and completed his surgical internship. He then served two years at the National Institutes of Health as a Senior Surgeon in the United States Public Health Services.

Dr. Folse completed his surgical residency at the University of Washington Affiliated Hospitals in Seattle when he became the chief resident. Later, at the University of Washington Medical School, Dr. Folse became an associate professor of surgery.

In 1980, Dr. Folse founded the Association for Surgical Education to promote, recognize, and reward excellence, innovation, and scholarship in surgical education. The ASE has more than 850 members representing over 190 medical schools and institutions throughout the United States and Canada.

His honors also include the 14th Annual Mead-Johnson Award for Graduate Training in Surgery, the Research Career Development Award from the National Institutes of Health, and a Citation of Merit Award of the Alumni Associate of Southwestern University.

Through his many years at SIU School of Medicine, Dr. Folse received many awards for Excellence in Teaching within the Department of Surgery, and published more than 100 articles. Two lectureships were established in his honor. And, in 2009, the J. Roland Folse, MD, Endowed Chair of Surgery was established.

Sara Vaughn Gabbard

Sara Vaughn Gabbard is a nationally recognized student of Lincoln and Executive Director of Friends of the Lincoln Collection of Indiana -- entrusted with a prized collection of Lincoln artifacts -- helping increase the understanding and appreciation of Abraham Lincoln and the times in which he lived.

Born in Lincoln, Illinois, Ms. Gabbard's entire life has been connected to our 16th president, as an award winning publisher, editor and author. She is the editor of Lincoln Lore, a scholarly magazine published on behalf of the Friends of Lincoln Collection in Indiana, and is the co-editor of the Concise Lincoln Library for the Southern Illinois University Press. She is also a contributing author to Lincoln Lessons: Reflections on America's Greatest Leader, a book dedicated to the ongoing wisdom and influence of our sixteenth president.

Ms. Gabbard is the co-editor of three other acclaimed Lincoln books: *Lincoln's America*, which explores the sociopolitical culture of 19th century culture that was critical in shaping Lincoln's character and leadership; *Lincoln and Freedom*, a political history of slavery in America and Lincoln's vital role in the story of emancipation; and, *1863: Lincoln's Pivotal Year*, an in-depth look into a year that proved decisive for the Civil War, Lincoln's presidency, and the course of American history. She is awaiting the release of her fourth co-edited book, *1865: America Makes War and Peace in Lincoln's Final Year*.

While Ms. Gabbard has dedicated her life to honoring and preserving Lincoln's legacy, her work is leaving a legacy of its own. In August 2014, Indiana Technical Law School announced the Sara Vaughn Gabbard Scholarship, awarded to two law students for participating in and winning an annual Abraham Lincoln writing competition. Recipients of this prize will be designated as Gabbard Lincoln Scholars.

Sara Vaughn Gabbard – a proud daughter of the Land of Lincoln – has devoted her life to preserving the memory of Abraham Lincoln and celebrating his defining influence on the American Spirit.

Gary Slutkin

Dr. Gary Slutkin is the Founder and Executive Director of Cure Violence, a senior advisor to the World Health Organization, and Professor of Epidemiology and International Health at the University of Illinois at Chicago School of Public Health.

Dr. Slutkin earned his MD at the University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine and completed his internship and residency at San Francisco General Hospital. In 1981, he became the Medical Director for the Tuberculosis Program at the San Francisco Health Department, where he first learned infectious disease control methods. In 1985, he moved to Somalia to treat tuberculosis and cholera patients where he worked alongside the National Director of Primary Health Care Program for Somalia. From 1987 to 1994, he served with the World Health Organization to reverse epidemics, and was primarily responsible for supporting Uganda's AIDS program. Uganda is the only country in the world to have reversed the AIDS epidemic.

Drawing from his experience fighting diseases and epidemics, Dr. Slutkin created Cure Violence, formerly known as CeaseFire. Cure Violence is an innovative and successful violence prevention program that treats violence with the same components used to reverse epidemic disease outbreaks—to detect and disrupt potentially violent conflicts, identify and treat highest risk, and mobilize the community to change norms. Cure Violence currently has 52 program sites in 23 US cities, plus international partner sites in Puerto Rico, Trinidad, Honduras, Mexico, South Africa, Canada and Columbia.

Cure Violence programs were demonstrated to reduce shootings and killings by 41 to 73 percent according to three year, independent study conducted by Northwestern University and funded by the National Institute of Justice, and 34-56% by an independent study conducted by John Hopkins University and funded by the Center for Disease Control.

Dr. Slutkin's work has been supported and recommended by the White House, the National League of Cities, the Institute of Medicine, and the National Governors Association and featured in the New York Times, the award winning documentary *The Interrupters*, and Studs Terkel's book, *Will The Circle Be Unbroken?*

W. Russell Withers, Jr.

W. Russell Withers, Jr. was one of the last of a vanishing breed of broadcasting pioneers and was the founder of Withers Broadcasting Companies which owns six television stations and 30 radio stations across the Midwest.

He was born in 1936 in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, and began his broadcasting career as an announcer and salesman at KGBO, a station in his hometown. In 1961, he joined LIN Broadcasting Corporation in Nashville, Tennessee as a disc jockey and quickly ascended to vice president.

He served as the Chairman of both the Mutual Broadcasting Affiliate Board and the Illinois Broadcasters Association Foundation. For 20 years, he was a trustee and largest fund-raiser of the National Association of Broadcaster's Political Action Committee. He served on the Board of the National Association of Broadcasters, the Illinois Broadcasters Association and SAGA Communications, and was a member of the Associated Press Broadcast Board.

He was the recipient of the Jorgenson Award for 12 consecutive years, received the Broadcast Pioneer Award, and was named the Broadcaster of the Year by the Illinois Broadcaster Association. He served for many years and with great distinction as a Regent of The Lincoln Academy of Illinois and raised funds for the statewide broadcast of the Academy's annual Convocation and Investiture of Laureates.

He had an irreverent sense of humor and a magnificent generosity of spirit – reaching out to the most vulnerable members of the communities he served – always quietly – often anonymously – including thousands of shoes quietly provided over the years to police officers and firefighters to give to under privileged children – who never knew his name.

The Order of Lincoln was presented to Mr. Withers personally shortly before his death and formally presented at his memorial service -- received on his behalf by his daughter, Dana, as his broadcast colleagues from across the nation paid tribute to his lifetime of service to others and his leadership of the broadcasting industry.

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Elizabeth Malott became a Regent of The Lincoln Academy of Illinois in 1978. An extraordinary woman who combined keen insight, limitless energy and elegance, Ibby's extensive involvement with and leadership of the Academy greatly influenced and furthered its mission. Her husband, Robert, now retired as the CEO of a major Chicago based company, received the Order of Lincoln at the Academy's 1994 Laureate Convocation. In memory of Ibby, the Malott Family Foundation has generously supported the Academy with funding that assists in underwriting its annual Student Laureate Convocation.

Televised Broadcast of the Convocation

Due to wonderful friends at the **Illinois Broadcasters Foundation** which supports the educational activities of The Lincoln Academy and **WSIU Public Television**, this program will be aired later in the year on public television stations throughout the state.

Photographs of Tonight's Events

Photographs of tonight's events may be downloaded from the Academy's website early next week. You are invited to visit <u>TheLincolnAcademyofIllinois.org</u>.

Installation of the Ninth Chancellor

At the conclusion of tonight's Convocation, we welcome William Bennett of Chicago as our new Chancellor and Dr. Stephanie Pace Marshall of Burr Ridge as our new Vice Chancellor. Mr. Bennett is the former President and Chief Executive Officer of Draper & Kramer, Inc., the former Chair of the Board of Trustees of Kenyon College, and the current Chair of the Board of Trustees of DePaul University. Dr. Pace Marshall is the founding President of the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy and a Laureate of The Lincoln Academy of Illinois.

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John Trutter, Chicago (1985-2001)

The Hon. John B. Simon, Chicago (2001–2010)

Thomas S. Johnson, Rockford (2010-2015)

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Laureates Inducted in 2014

50th Convocation – Chicago
James Simpson Theater
The Field Museum
John A. Canning, Jr.
The Hon. Hillary Rodham Clinton
Michael Krzyzewski
Newton N. Minow
Bernard Rands & Augusta Read Thomas
The Reverend Donald Senior, C.P.
Glenn F. Tilton

Laureates Inducted in 2013

49th Convocation — Rock Island
Centennial Hall & Wallenberg Hall
on Augustana College Campus
Brenda C. Barnes
William Hammer
G. Timothy Johnson
Robert Lane
Robert Ontiveros
Chad Pregracke

Laureates Inducted in 2012

48th Convocation – Springfield
House of Representatives Chamber & PNC Bank Atrium
Jean Driscoll
W. James Farrell
James A. Lovell, Jr.
Naomi Burgos Lynn
Robert J. Miller*
William R. Schnirring
N. Ronald Thunman

Laureates Inducted in 2011

47th Convocation - Champaign
Krannert Center for the Performing Arts
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
Richard Gray & Mary Lackritz Gray
Shahid R. Khan
Shirley Madigan
Dawn Clark Netsch*
Timothy J. Nugent

Laureates Inducted in 2010

46th Convocation - Chicago Rubloff Auditorium The Art Institute of Chicago William J. Bauer Doris K. Christopher Mary A. Dempsey Mannie Jackson The Joffrey Ballet Lester B. Knight, III

Laureates Inducted in 2009

45th Convocation - Springfield Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum Iean H. Baker Gabor Boritt Michael Burlingame Richard Carwardine Iulie Cellini Cullom Davis Eric Foner Allen C. Guelzo Harold Holzer Charles M. Hubbard Ron Keller Philip B. Kunhardt III & Peter W. Kunhardt John McClarey Edna Greene Medford LeRoy Neiman* Don Pollack Robert Provost Jr. **Bob Rogers** Thomas F. Schwartz **Jack Smith** Lowell and Rhoda Sneller Louise Taper Wayne C. Temple Lily Tolpo* Daniel R. Weinberg Frank J. Williams

Douglas L. Wilson &

Rodney O. Davis

Laureates Inducted in 2008

44th Convocation - Carbondale Shyrock Auditorium Southern Illinois University David Herbert Donald * Irl F. Engelhardt Joel M. Flaum William R. Norwood Kenneth A. Shaw Thomas M. Siebel

Laureates Inducted in 2007

43rd Convocation - Chicago
James Simpson Theatre
The Field Museum
Judith S. Block
Norman R. Bobins
The Rev. Dr. John M. Buchanan
Mary Ann G. McMorrow*
Linda Johnson Rice

Laureates Inducted in 2006

42nd Convocation - Springfield
Sangamon Auditorium
University of Illinois Springfield
The Rev. Thomas J. Behrens
Richard H. Moy*
William A. Osborn
Garry Wills
The Zhou Brothers

Laureates Inducted in 2005

41st Convocation - Edwardsville Dunham Theatre Southern Illinois University Edward A. Brennan* David S. Broder* Nick Holonyak, Jr. George E. Inglett Jacqueline Joyner-Kersee Stephanie Pace Marshall

Laureates Inducted in 2004

40th Convocation - Chicago Rubloff Auditorium Chicago Historical Society Michael Beschloss Harry L. Crisp, II George A. Ranney, Jr. Louis "Studs" Terkel* Ernest R. Wish

Laureates Inducted in 2003

39th Convocation - Normal
Braden Auditorium
Illinois State University
Sister Rosemary Connelley, RSM
Ronald J. Gidwitz
John W. Maitland, Jr.
Sherrill Milnes
Edward B. Rust
The Rev. Dr. Addie L. Wyatt*

Laureates Inducted in 2002

38th Convocation - Springfield Sangamon Auditorium University of Illinois Springfield Frank W. Considine Lou Conte Jack M. Greenberg Rabbi Herman E. Schaalman Bernard Shaw James B. Stewart

Laureates Inducted in 2001

37th Convocation – Chicago Rubloff Auditorium The Art Institute of Chicago M. Cherif Bassiouni Henry B. Betts* Roger Ebert* Marian F. (Cindy) Pritzker Orion Samuelson The Rev. John P. Smyth

Laureates Inducted in 2000

36th Convocation - Springfield Gwendolyn Brooks Illinois State Library Lynn Martin Monsignor Ignatius McDermott* Andrew J. McKenna Robert Eugene Richards Harold B. Steele Scott F. Turow

Laureates Inducted in 1999

35th Convocation — Urbana-Champaign Krannert Center for the Performing Arts University of Illinois Lester Crown Jim Edgar Robert D. Novak* Stansfield Turner

Laureates Inducted in 1998

34th Convocation – Chicago James R. Thompson Center Peter B. Bensinger Preston Jackson Martin E. Marty Patrick G. Ryan John M. D. Shalikashvili* Paul Simon*

Laureates Inducted in 1997

33rd Convocation - Springfield House of Representatives Illinois State Capitol Gwendolyn Brooks* Leonard H. Lavin* Ramsey E. Lewis, Jr. Robert H. Michel Jerry M. Reinsdorf Seymour Simon * Joseph Cardinal Bernardin*

Laureates Inducted in 1996

32nd Convocation – Evanston Pick-Staiger Concert Hall Northwestern University Willard L. Boyd Stanley O. Ikenberry Jeane J. Kirkpatrick* Sid Luckman* Alan Schriesheim

Laureates Inducted in 1995

31st Convocation - Carbondale Shyrock Auditorium Southern Illinois University James S. Brady* Joseph B. Kirsner* William H. Kurtis Robert H. Malott Arnold W. Weber

Laureates Inducted in 1994

30th Convocation - Springfield House of Representatives Illinois State Capitol Alan J. Dixon* Robert W. Galvin* Steven R. Nagel The Rev. John T. Richardson Kay Smith Anthony J. Watson

Laureates Inducted in 1993

29th Convocation — Chicago Merle Reskin Theatre DePaul University Etta Moten Barnett* John H. Bryan Subrahmanyan Chandrasekhar* Lester E. Fisher Richard Hunt James J. O'Connor

Laureates Inducted in 1992

28th Convocation – Decatur Kirkland Fine Arts Center Millikin University Marajen Stevick Chinigo* William B. Graham* John O. Honnold, Jr.* Paul C. Laterbur* Osvaldo I. Lopez W. Clement Stone*

Laureates Inducted in 1991

27th Convocation - Springfield House of Representatives Illinois State Capitol Arnold O. Beckman* Harry A. Blackmun* Gaylord & Dorothy Donnelley* Norman A. Ross* James R. Thompson Elmer H. Wavering*

Laureates Inducted in 1990

26th Convocation – Chicago Rockefeller Chapel University of Chicago Mortimer J. Adler* Marshall L. Burman* James S. Kemper, Jr.* Leon M. Lederman James B. Stockdale* William C. Warfield*

Laureates Inducted in 1989

25th Convocation – Normal Braden Auditorium Illinois State University John C. Corbally* C. Geraldine Freund* Eugene D. Funk, Jr.* Hannah H. Gray Elizabeth N. Paepcke*

Laureates Inducted in 1988

24th Convocation - Springfield House of Representatives Illinois State Capitol Dwayne O. Andreas John Chancellor* Abraham Lincoln Marovitz* Raymond Joseph Meyer* Patrick L. O'Malley*

Laureates Inducted in 1987

23rd Convocation – Chicago James R. Thompson Center Michael Butler Paul Harvey* Walter Massey Walter Payton*

Laureates Inducted in 1986

22nd Convocation — Peoria
Dingeldine Auditorium
Bradley University
James Beré*
William Harrison Fetridge*
Lawrence Rossi*
Maria Tallchief*

Laureates Inducted in 1985

21st Convocation – Springfield House of Representatives Illinois State Capitol Ardis Krainik* Hiram Henry Lesar* Ruth Page* Daniel James Terra*

Laureates Inducted in 1984

20th Convocation - Evanston Pick-Staiger Concert Hall Northwestern University Leigh B. Block* Virginia L. Marmaduke* Arthur C. Neilsen, Jr.* John L. Strohm*

Laureates Inducted in 1983

19th Convocation — Edwardsville Communications Building Theater Southern Illinois University Thomas R. Mulroy* Ralph Newman* Mike Royko* Bobby Short*

Laureates Inducted in 1982

18th Convocation — Urbana-Champaign Krannert Ctr for the Performing Arts University of Illinois Donald L. Bitzer John R. Block Marva N. Collins Delyte W. Morris*

Laureates Inducted in 1981

17th Convocation - Springfield House of Representatives Illinois State Capitol Thomas G. Ayers* James W. Cronin Ronald W. Reagan* Adlai E. Stevenson III John T. Trutter*

Laureates Inducted in 1980

16th Convocation – Chicago The Chicago Cultural CenterPaul Findley John Hope Franklin* Arthur Rubloff*

Laureates Inducted in 1979

15th Convocation – Carbondale Shyrock Auditorium Southern Illinois University John B. Anderson Joan Walsh Anglund William Alexander Hewitt* Robert Stephen Ingersoll* Leon Orris Jacobson* Albert Jenner, Jr.* Clayton Kirkpatrick* Marjorie Lawrence*

Laureates Inducted in 1978

14th Convocation - Springfield House of Representatives Illinois State Capitol Robert Gehlmann Bone* Irving Lee Dilliard* Ann Landers* Brooks McCormick* Samuel H. Shapiro* William G. Stratton* Daniel Walker

Laureates Inducted in 1977

13th Convocation – Peoria Scottish Rite Cathedral Robert Todd Lincoln Beckwith* Charlton Heston* Celeste Holm* Otto Kerner* Hyman George Rickover* Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen*

Laureates Inducted in 1976

12th Convocation – Springfield House of Representatives Illinois State Capitol The Rev. Preston Bradley* Gaylord A. Freeman, Jr.* Louis Goldblatt* Burl Ives* Edward Hirsh Levi* Louis Courtenay Sudler*

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8th Convocation - Springfield House of Representatives Illinois State Capitol Jack Benny* David Dodds Henry* Percy Lavon Julian* Mark Van Doren*

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7th Convocation — Rockford Maddox Theatre Rockford College Archibald MacLeish*

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4th Convocation - Springfield
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3rd Convocation — Springfield Senate Chambers Illinois State Capitol William Carl Ackermann* Roger Adams* Paul H. Douglas* Hugh Downs Charles (Chick) Evans, Jr.* The Fine Arts Quintet-Leonard Sorkin*, Abram Loft, George Sopkin*, Gerald Stanick Richard Buckminster Fuller* John Simpson Hastings* Raymond Marcellus Hilliard* Charles Brenton Huggins* Mahalia Jackson* Wayne Andrew Johnston* Irving (Kup) Kupcinet* George Littlewood Luthy* James Winchester Montgomery* Charles B. Shuman* Martin Wagner* Robert Elkington Wood*

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