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Speaker for Monday, April 1 2019 - Lynn Thompson Bethune Cookman



Twenty five years ago, Lynn W. Thompson, a Daytona Beach, Florida native and Bethune-Cookman College graduate, began his career as the youngest NCAA Division I athletic director in the nation. Since then, he has played a vital role on campus at Bethune-Cookman University, at the conference level, and now is the senior statesman amongst MEAC and HBCU athletic directors, and serves nationally as a committee chair and well sought after leader for input on various NCAA committees.

For his accomplishments and much more, Thompson was elevated to the position of Vice President for Intercollegiate Athletics, announced by B-CU President Dr. Edison O. Jackson on Tuesday, June 30. His duties took effect Wednesday, July 1, however still continuing to oversee the 17-sport Division I program for the B-CU Department of Athletics.

As the first African-American to chair the NCAA Baseball Rules Committee and as a member on the NCAA I-AA Football Committee and the NCAA Football Issues Committees, Thompson has vast experience in creating policy for intercollegiate athletics on a national level. He has also served the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference as chairman of the MEAC Basketball and Baseball Tournaments, and has been selected five times as an NCAA Peer Reviewer for the athletics certification process.

Under Thompson's watch, Wildcats student-athletes have also excelled in the classroom. In the 2014 NCAA APR report, every Bethune-Cookman program registered an APR score of at least 960. Additionally, B-CU Football led the MEAC in APR for the 2013-14 academic year.

During his tenure overseeing a 17-sport department that is known throughout the nation, Thompson has directed the Wildcats to a total of 64 championships, beginning with 44 Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) crowns, including a dynasty of 12 baseball championships in the past 15 years; a run of five consecutive softball titles from 2000-2004 as well as three addition consecutive titles from 2010-12. B-CU Football has won a total of six MEAC titles, including at least a share of the last three consecutive from 2012-14. Additionally, the Wildcats won the school's first-ever national HBCU championship in 2010.

B-CU's golf programs for women and men have won a total of 20 PGA National Minority Golf Championship (13 women, 7 men) titles, featuring an international roster from all around the world. The men's program won the inaugural 2014 MEAC Golf Championship, earning the school's first-ever team bid to the NCAA Regionals in Raleigh, North Carolina. B-CU track & field has trained an indoor/outdoor NCAA hurdling champion, and were represented by the Wildcats' first ever Olympian in the 2012 London Olympic Games. In 2015, B-CU Men's Track & Field swept the indoor and outdoor MEAC crowns, while defending the outdoor title from a season ago.

Under Thompson's leadership, Wildcat teams have also fared well in NCAA postseason appearances including the 2005 softball Regional Championship in Gainesville, Florida, advancing to the NCAA Super Regional in Austin, Texas after receiving the first-ever at-large bid to the Women's College World Series. In 2002, the baseball team won its first regional game against FIU, following with yet another regional victory over Columbia in 2014 as part of the Coral Gables [Fla.] Regional hosted by the University of Miami.

In 2013, B-CU freshman men's golfer Ryan Fricker earned an at-large bid to the NCAA Regionals, marking the first time the feat had been accomplished since 1999 for any men's golfer. Ryan Fricker followed with an automatic bid to the NCAA Regionals in 2014, winning

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Birthdays

Mahyar Okhovatian
March 28th

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March 31st

Walter (Buddy) Neel Jowers Jr.
April 13th

the inaugural MEAC individual title at the first-ever MEAC Championships in Savannah, Georgia.

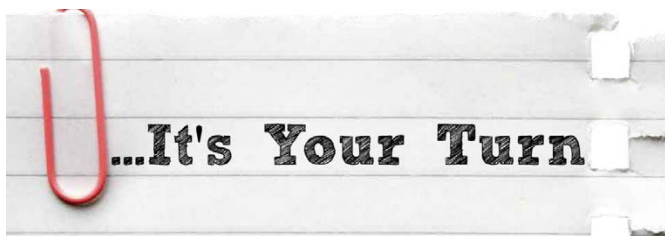
Away from the athletic fields, Thompson is heavily involved in the B-CU Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA), where his office is constantly open for prayer and consultation with all students. He served as a staff pastor at Calvary Christian Center in Ormond Beach, Florida, for over 10 years in addition to leading the men's ministry.

A veteran television and radio producer and personality, Thompson has utilized his experience in the media with the development of B-CU's CatEye Network which produces and distributes programs on television, live streaming of Wildcats athletic events, and he also serves as executive producer of the various B-CU coach's television shows and the CatEye Radio Network. In addition to his duties as Director of Athletics, he was recently named as chair of the advisory committee for the university's acquisition and management team of WELE 1380 The Cat radio station located in Ormond Beach, Florida.

Thompson graduated from then Bethune-Cookman College in 1980 with a Bachelor's Degree in Pre-Med, and later earned a Master's Degree from Clark-Atlanta University in 1984. He went on to embark on a mass communications career that has spanned more than 30 years. For many years, he hosted the public affairs show Vibrations on WESH-TV, an NBC affiliate based out of Orlando, Florida. He continues to produce and host the regional television and radio shows highlighting Bethune-Cookman University athletics on Fox Sports Florida and Bright House Networks.

Lynn W. Thompson has three children. His oldest daughter, Tai Lynne, is a graduate of Florida State University, and currently lives in New York pursuing a career as an actress. His son Matthew David graduated in 2014 from The Citadel after spending four years as a student-athlete for the Bulldogs on the football team as a quarterback, receiver and kick returner. His youngest child, daughter Lyndsay Olga, is a sophomore at Bethune-Cookman and graduated from high school at Spruce Creek in 2014.

You're In Charge!



Member Check In:
Renny Miles & Tom Caradonio

Invocation:
Denis Shelley

50/50 Drawing:
Suspended for the Month Due to Golf Tournament Raffle Sales!

Song Leaders:
Ed Paterniti & Nicole Pavol

Sunshine:
Rosaria Upchurch

Last Call for Golfers!



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Registration

Table open at 7:00 a.m. and driving range, chipping area
and putting green available for golfers

Shot Gun - Start at 8:30 a.m.

Breakfast and Lunch

Continental breakfast will be served prior to the start of the
tournament and a delicious buffet lunch after play concludes.

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- The Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarships is the world's largest, privately funded scholarship program.
- Providing vitamin A supplements during polio National Immunization Days has averted an estimated 1.5 million childhood deaths since 1998 ♦ testimony to the ♦plus♦ in PolioPlus.
- The first service project of the first Rotary club of Chicago was installation of public toilets in the city.
- The first Rotaract Club was formed in Charlotte, North Carolina, USA.
- The first women joined Rotary in 1987. Today, more than 196,000 woman are members of Rotary International.
- Rotarians in the United States make up 28% of all Rotarians worldwide
- Nauru and formerly known as Pleasant Island, is an island country in Micronesia in the South Pacific. Its nearest neighbor is Banaba Island in Kiribati, 182 miles to the east. It has the least amount of any Rotarians in the world, numbering only 11.

Rotary District 6970 Assembly/Conference
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DISTRICT TRAINING ASSEMBLY & DISTRICT CONFERENCE

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AT THE DAYTONA INTERNATIONAL SPEEDWAY

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DISTRICT TRAINING ASSEMBLY ONLY - \$30 **BILL TO YOUR CLUB FRIDAY, MAY 17TH, NOON - 5PM**
DISTRICT CONFERENCE KICK-OFF PARTY ONLY - \$50 **FRIDAY MAY 17TH, 5PM - 9PM**
DISTRICT CONFERENCE DAY SESSION ONLY - \$75 **SATURDAY MAY 18TH, 8AM - 3PM**
ROTARY NIGHT AT THE OSCARS - \$75 **SATURDAY MAY 18TH, 5:30 PM - 11PM**

JOIN IN THE FUN WITH THE FAMILY OF ROTARY IN THE WALK TO END POLIO - ALL MONIES RAISED WILL GO TO END POLIO NOW AND HELP QUALIFY CLUBS FOR THE ROTARY CITATION!



WEEKEND SCHEDULE

-DAY ONE-

DISTRICT TRAINING ASSEMBLY 12PM - 5PM LUNCH • CLUB, OFFICER & MEMBER TRAINING • CLUB ROLL-CALL
HOUSE OF FRIENDSHIP 12PM - 6PM CLUB PROJECT DISPLAYS • ROTARY VENDORS • NON-PROFIT EXHIBITORS
DISTRICT 6970 HAND CYCLE RACES 5PM - 6PM DISTRICT AREA TEAM COMPETITION • \$500 A TEAM
CONFERENCE KICK-OFF AT HARLEY J'S SPORTS BAR 6PM - 9PM FUN, FELLOWSHIP & FOOD • ENTERTAINMENT
ROTARY MEANS BUSINESS HOSPITALITY HOUSE 9PM - 11PM

-DAY TWO-

INSPIRATIONAL SPEAKERS 8AM - 2:30PM BREAKFAST & LUNCH • RYE PARADE OF FLAGS
HOUSE OF FRIENDSHIP 8AM - 3:30PM CLUB PROJECT DISPLAYS • ROTARY VENDORS • NON-PROFIT EXHIBITORS
YOUTH CONFERENCE 10AM - 2PM INTERACT • RYE • RYLA • COLLEGE ROTARACT • LUNCH, FUN & FELLOWSHIP
DISTRICT 6970 WALK TO END POLIO 2:30PM - 3:30PM CHARITY WALK • EVERYONE IS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE
MAJOR DONOR RECEPTION 5PM - 6PM COCKTAILS & APPETIZERS
RED CARPET EXPERIENCE/COCKTAIL HOUR 5:30PM - 6:30PM COCKTAILS • VICTORY CIRCLE RED CARPET
ROTARY NIGHT AT THE OSCARS 5:30PM - 11:30PM DINNER • ENTERTAINMENT

INSPIRATIONAL SPEAKERS

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MICHELE RIGBY ASSAD

Former CIA Operative, Author "Breaking Cover"

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Rotary International Director

HOTEL INFORMATION

MAIN HOTEL:

FAIRFIELD INN 386-254-4700
\$119.00 per night +taxes
1820 Checkered Flag Blvd
Daytona Beach, FL
Group Code: ROTROTA

Upgrades to the Marriott may be available once hotel opens in April or May.

HAMPTON INN 386-257-4030
\$109.00 per night +taxes
1715 W International Speedway Blvd
Daytona Beach, Florida
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HOMEWOOD SUITES 386-258-2828
\$99.00 per night +taxes
165 Bill France Blvd, Daytona Beach, Florida
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HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS 386-944-1100
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90 Professional Blvd, Daytona Beach, FL
Group Code: ROT *Please note you must enter code to get the District Conference Rate*

See Conference Registration for Clickable links to hotel booking.

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Polio Ambassador [Jack Nicklaus](http://www.rotary.org) led golf lessons with Rotary Foundation donors at an event that raised US\$5.25 million for our work to end polio. <https://www.endpolio.org>



Club Meeting

Daytona Beach
Meets at Palmetto Club
1000 S. Beach St.
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Time: Monday at 12:15 PM