Global leader Nelson Mandela displays the Honorary Degree he received from Texas Southern University’s then president Dr. William H. Harris and Mr. Rufus Cormier, Board Chairman in 1991.

Texas Southern University mourns the passing of Nelson Mandela who visited the campus in 1991 and 1999. Mandela, who died December 5, at the age of 95, was given a hearty reception by local audiences during his visit to TSU. In 1991, more than a year after his release from prison, Mandela visited Houston to give the keynote speech at the Carter-Menil Foundation Human Rights Prizes ceremony. He received an honorary degree from Texas Southern University. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. Coca Cola recently provided an opportunity for TSU students to attend a premiere viewing of the new movie starring Idris Elba Mandela: The Long Walk Home.
Marketing Students Provide Hope with Angel Tree

“Angels inspire hope; they give gifts. Those gifts include blessings and a belief in what is possible,” said Dr. Delonia Cooley, associate professor of marketing and American Marketing Association advisor. “When a gift, like a toy, shoes, or a book is given by an angel, the gift is a symbol for something more meaningful like the joy in knowing that at any moment something good can happen for no reason at all. That is the type of hope that inspires courage in the face of uncertainty,” she added.

This year, the American Marketing Association of the Jesse H. Jones School of Business sponsored an Angel Tree at the TSU Charter Lab School, an initiative created by President John Rudley. The TSU Charter School is part of the HISD system and is housed on campus in the old science building. The AMA-TSU chapter adopted 200 angels from grades head start pre-school program through second grade. Each child was given a wrapped gift. The initiative was an overwhelming display of giving and an outpouring of love from all involved. From the various students and organizations that donated gifts or helped wrap the gifts, we can all say loudly, “We are TSU proud!”

Three Tigers Make All-SWAC Team

Amir Bloom Brandon Thomas Cory Carter

Three Texas Southern Tiger football players were named to the 2013 All-SWAC team. Defensive Lineman Amir Bloom and defensive back Brandon Thomas received first team honors while punter Cory Carter received All-SWAC second team honors.

Bloom, a sophomore from Miami, Fla., led the conference with eight sacks despite missing the last two games of the season because of an injury. His 13.5 TFLs were third in the SWAC. He finished the season with 30 tackles (22 UA), two quarterback hurries, one forced fumble, one fumble recovery and a safety.

Thomas, a senior from Houston, led the Tigers with 82 total tackles (48 UA). He was second on the team with 11.5 TFL. He finished the season with four interceptions, which was 4th in the conference, seven pass breakups, two sacks and one fumble recovery. Thomas ranked 41st in the nation for pass defense.

Carter, a sophomore from Raymond, Mississippi, led the conference in punting with a 44.3 yard average which also ranked eighth in the nation. He had 71 punts for 3146 yards, 21 inside the 20, 20 punts over 50 yards, five punts longer than 60 yards and two touchbacks. His longest punt was 64 yards against Southern.

Texas Southern football head coach says he is proud of these young men. "These guys came to work every game and every down and it's good to see that their hard work was recognized," Asberry said.

The All-SWAC teams were selected by SWAC head coaches, SWAC sports information directors and selected members of the media.

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