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The Power of One TSU

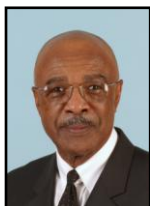
One TSU, the annual giving campaign for Texas Southern University, is expected to be an unprecedented and ambitious campaign which will raise awareness about the university's successes and raise money for student scholarships and support services. **One TSU** is about people coming together to support one overarching goal, the STUDENTS of TSU. The campaign

welcomes everyone to get engaged, including students, parents, alumni, faculty, staff, friends, boards, administrators, industry partners, corporations and the community at large.

The campaign includes direct mail letters and several emails to Texas Southern University alumni, former students and friends soliciting scholarship and program support. TSU will use radio and social media components to reach a broader audience of the University's supporters. The communications reinforce the idea that financial contributions of all amounts can help the students at the University.

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Robinson, Paige among Four to be Honored by SWAC Alumni Association



Dr. Rod Paige



Harlan S. Robinson



Kenny Burrough

The SWAC Alumni Association will honor three Southwestern Athletic Conference stalwarts and present its Charles "Chuck" Prophet Memorial Wagon Master Award during its annual Legends Reception & Awards Dinner and Roast December 6, 2013 at the Sheraton Suites Hotel near the Galleria in Houston.

Dr. Dennis Thomas, commissioner of the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference and a SWAC Hall of Fame offensive lineman for Alcorn State, **Dr. Rod Paige**, former football coach at Jackson State and athletic director at Texas Southern University who was Secretary of Education during George H.W. Bush's presidency, and Zelmo Beaty, an All-American basketball player at Prairie View A&M and NBA All-Star, will receive Lifetime Achievement Awards. Beaty

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Texas Southern University hosts "Invisible Houston Revisited" Summit

The Barbara Jordan-Mickey Leland School of Public Affairs at Texas Southern University is hosting the Invisible Houston Revisited Policy Summit on campus **November 7, 2013**. The one-day Summit focuses on various forms of inequality in the nation's fourth largest city over the past three decades since research on the original Invisible Houston: The Black Experience in Boom and Bust book.

Using an equity lens, the Summit seeks to shed light on a number of questions: Is there an "Invisible Houston" today? What is the state of inequality (racial/ethnic, economic, environmental, health, housing, political, etc.) in Houston? To what extent has Houston closed the racial/ethnic divide and well-being gap over the past three decades? How has access to opportunity trended during Houston's boom and bust cycles? Now that Houston has regained

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University Calendar 2013-14

November - December

Tuesday, November 5, 2013

Use of Human Subjects in Research Workshop

Education Building, room 318, 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

For more information contact Kimbler Lofton at

713-313-4245

EMPA/MPA Program Presents Noel Dunne International Anti and Counter Terrorism Training Specialist

Public Affairs Building, room 411, 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

For more information contact Dr. Michael Adams at

713-313-7760

Wednesday, November 6, 2013

JHJ School of Business Executive Lecture Series

JHJ Auditorium, 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

For more information contact Rochele Parks-Yancy at

713-313-7946

Thursday, November 7, 2013

Scholarship Information Reception

Campus wide

For additional information visit www.tsu.edu/scholarsnight

Radiation Safety Training

Sterling Student Center, room 237, 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

For more information contact Kimbler Lofton at

713-313-4245

School of Business All Graduate Level Programs Information Session

JHJ School of Business Auditorium, room 113,

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

For more information contact Muriel Funches at

713-313-6750

Invisible Houston Revisited Three Decades Later

Public Affairs Walter J. McCoy Auditorium,

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

For more information contact LaRence Snowden at

713-313-6844

Friday, November 8, 2013

Dr. Clifton M. Kaye Educational Leadership Symposium

College of Education Auditorium, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

For more information contact Danita Bailey-Perry at

713-313-4418

Saturday, December 14, 2013

Winter Commencement

H&PE, 9:30 a.m.

Information Technology Launches New Student Support System

TSU’s Office of Information Technology recently announced the official introduction and launch of the GradesFirst web-based Student Support System. As mentioned in several prior meetings and trainings, GradesFirst will aid in providing an early warning tracking that will assist in detecting at-risk students (before an academic crisis) and allow for intervention and student engagement by Advisors, Faculty and Tutors on the campus of Texas Southern University.

In preparation for full usage of this new system, there are a few things that need to occur:

1) **Activate Account:** You will receive an email that will include information regarding your account activation; 2) **User Location:** There will be various locations available to access the GradesFirst system. Each faculty member will receive information for specific user locations; 3) **User Rights:** Each faculty member will have user rights that are necessary for proper navigation throughout the GradesFirst website.

“We are excited to move forward with full implementation of this system,” said Billy Rector, chief information officer. “It is our goal to keep you well-informed and updated with the happenings of GradesFirst. Please join us in contributing to our student’s success at our university in a big way!”

Volleball Seniors Celebrate Senior Night by Clinching Western Division Title



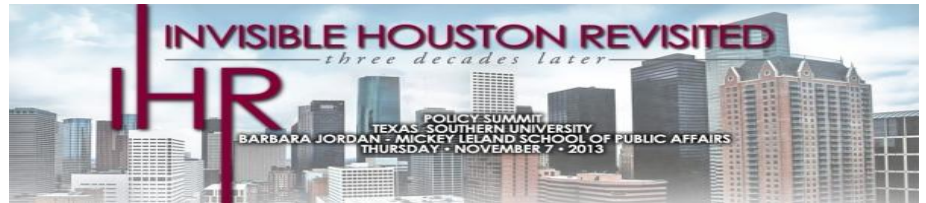
On November 1st, TSU said farewell to three seniors who had stellar careers and have made an impact on the TSU Volleyball program. The three seniors recognized were Veronica Azubuike (5), Whitney Grant (10), and Jyra Churchill (12). Shown with the seniors are coaches from left, Gabriel Floyd, Tabori Grayson and head coach Jocelyn Adams.

The Lady Tigers captured an impressive victory against the University of Arkansas-Pine Bluff in three sets clinching the Western Division regular season title in the SWAC. They will receive the top seeding in the SWAC Tournament at the end of the regular season. The Lady Tigers will face Prairie View A&M November 13th at 7:00 p.m. in the H&PE Arena in their final game of the regular season.

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The **deadline** to submit news or information for **TSU E-News** is Monday by noon. Submissions may be sent to calliskd@tsu.edu or pickensek@tsu.edu. For any questions or comments, call Eva Pickens at 713-313-4205.

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its “boom-town” status, the question remains, how is this new prosperity distributed? How are benefits and costs distributed as Houston embarks on becoming a “greener,” more livable and sustainable city? What bold policy changes are needed to address current and emerging challenges facing Houston’s racially/ethnically diverse population?

In addition to asking questions, the Summit participants are charged with exploring strategies and solutions going forward.

The Summit is free and open to the public. To Register go to www.research.net/s/IHR_REGISTRATION.

You can reach the Live Broadcast on November 7, 2013 from our [Ustream Link](#) – Select Channel Name ‘Invisible Houston Revisited’.

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Typical of all publicly supported colleges and universities, Texas Southern requires assistance from external supporters for funding to continue and thrive in completing its mission of education, research and community service.

“Gifts and donations to the University are like seeds for the future,” states John Rudley, President of Texas Southern University. “Proceeds from this campaign will allow students to focus on school and internships without having to worry about working or accumulating debt. This fundraising initiative provides a major platform for supporting students, as well as improving key university markers of success such as student retention and graduation rates.”

In addition to providing student scholarships, funds will be used to enhance research, help improve facilities, enhance technology, and develop new degree programs.

The campaign has several stages and several categories to which one can give. No amount is too small.

Texas Southern has put a new spin on its annual campaign this year. For example, an endowed scholarship of \$10,000 or more will be matched dollar for dollar by the University. Individuals can also donate to the President’s Leadership Scholars initiative which will also be matched one-to-one, or make a donation to the college, school or program from which they graduated such as; the College of Education, the School of Communication, the College of Science and Technology, the College of Liberal Arts and Behavioral Sciences, the School of Public Affairs, The JHJ School of Business, the College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, the Thomas Freeman Honors College, the Thurgood Marshall School of Law, and/or the Graduate School.

Additionally, donors may support TSU Athletics, Mentoring, the Academic Village (Freshman Student Experience) or other Student Support Services.

To make a donation online, log onto www.tsu.edu/giving. If you prefer to mail your donation, please mail to:

Texas Southern University
 Office of Development – Annual Fund Campaign 2013-14
 3100 Cleburne Street
 Hannah Hall 206
 Houston, Texas 77004

To find out information on how your gift can be matched by the University, contact Carolyne Oliver at 713-313-4276.

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Texas Education Commissioner Williams slated as Symposium Keynote Speaker

The Department of Educational Administration and Foundations in the College of Education at Texas Southern University will host The Dr. Clifton M. Clay Educational Leadership Symposium Friday, November 8, 2013. The daylong campus event centers on the topic of the state of education in Houston and in the state of Texas.

Dr. Michael Williams, the Commissioner of Education for the State of Texas, will give a keynote address during the morning session about what's happening in education at the state level. Dr. Gaye Lang, chief academic officer of the Focus Learning Academy, will speak about what makes an effective educator in today's schools.

A panel discussion in the afternoon session is devoted to safety in schools, a major issue for parents and educators as there are increasing numbers of emergency situations happening on school campuses of all levels of education. The panel features chiefs of police from Houston Community College, Houston ISD, Rice University, Texas Southern University, and University of Houston, as well as a licensed psychologist who will speak about how students are affected by school emergencies.

"Administrators and teachers at schools need to be trained in how to handle emergency situations in our schools. Who better to teach us than the experts in the field?" asked Danita Bailey-Perry, professor and interim chair of Educational Administration and Foundations in the College of Education. "We are excited about the wealth of knowledge our students and the community can gain from these distinguished and knowledgeable individuals," she added.

This event is open to TSU students as well as educators and administrators in the community. "This event is a huge opportunity for TSU to be seen as leaders of education in the community," said Bailey-Perry. "Many of our students are already working in the school districts of Houston, and we are happy to provide this opportunity for professional development."

Texas Southern University College of Science and Technology

MIDTERM MADNESS FALL 2013

In efforts to increase persistence and completion rates among students, The College of Science and Technology (COST) in collaboration with the College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (COPHS) and the Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) student organization hosted the first Midterm Madness event for students focused in the areas of Math, Biology, and Chemistry. The purpose of the event was to encourage COST and COPHS students to study for midterms, receive extra help with perceived difficult subject areas, as well as to offer an extended/additional quiet time and place for studying within a warm and inviting atmosphere. Over 96 students ranging from freshmen to seniors participated in the Midterm Madness study session in the Atrium of the New Science Building from 6:00pm to 11:00 pm. SGA President and student leaders Leon Spencer, Fred Carter, and HOSA President, Chi-Tam Nguyen, were on hand to assist students and offer support.

Students were engaged as they studied and shared information while they prepared for mid-term examinations. Instructors and Tutors shared their knowledge through individual and group sessions designed to help students become better prepared for their midterm examinations all while enjoying generous refreshments and coffee.

In December, COST will host a "Final Frenzy" study session for students to finish out the semester on a positive and successful note. For more information, please contact the Office of Student Services and Institutional Support (OSSIS) Advisement Office at 713-313-7753/1860.



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will be honored posthumously. Former Texas Southern and Houston Oilers wide receiver **Kenny Burrough** (Double Zero) is the guest of honor for the Roast.

Harlan Stefann Robinson, Marketing and Promotions Manager at Texas Southern University, will receive the Charles "Chuck" Prophet Memorial Wagon Master Award. This award is named in honor of Chuck Prophet, the long-time Sports Information Director and Athletic Director at Mississippi Valley State University. It is presented annually to an employee of a conference member institution who best exemplifies Chuck's spirit and dedication and loyalty to their school and SWAC.

"It is indeed a privilege and honor to receive an award after someone who has given so much of their time and service to make the conference what it is today," said Robinson. "I am thankful to those who thought enough about me and my time spent at several conference institutions to honor me with this prestigious award."

Robinson, a graduate of Alcorn State, has been involved in athletic administration for more than 25 years. He began his career as assistant sports information director at his alma mater. He has also worked at Albany State University, Southern University and Prairie View. He has been involved in planning and organizing a number of major athletic events, the Bayou Classic, the State Fair Classic, the TSU Relays, the Labor Day Classic, the Atlanta Football Classic and the Southwestern Athletic Conference Basketball Tournament. He also has represented the athletics department in institutional fund raising projects to help enhance the department's financial resources.

The evening's activities get underway at 6:00 p.m. with the Legends Reception and awards presentation. Tickets are \$75 each and can be purchased by contacting Alumni Association president Roscoe Nance at 703-481-0084 or by e-mail at scomobile@aol.com, or Alvin Moore at 205-222-1044 or by e-mail at amprint1949@aol.com.



TSU TIGER BASKETBALL

HOME OPENER

VS **NORFOLK STATE**

SAT., NOV. 9 AT 5 P.M.

HPE ARENA - TSU CAMPUS

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 713/313-4355

SPSS Program Training/ Statistical Software Applications

This training seminar will focus on the basic Quantitative Designs in Educational Research and the use of SPSS in those analyses. More specifically, the session will introduce 1) Data Analysis: Correlation 2) Data Analysis: Regression 3) Data Analysis: T-Tests 4) Data Analysis: Descriptive Statistics (Frequencies, Crosstabs) 5) Interpretation of analyzed data 6) Importing Files for analysis 7) Exporting analyzed data.

Target audience: The seminar is designed for Social Science faculty, staff and students, but all interested parties are welcome to attend.

When: November 13 and 14, 2013

Where: Hannah Hall 129

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Presenters: **Dr. Raijanel Crockem, Interim Executive Director**
Institutional Assessment, Planning & Effectiveness

Dr. Emiel Owens, Professor
Educational Administration and Foundations

Limited Seating: First 50 to register, call Ms. Kimbler Lofton at extension 4245 to register.

EACH PARTICIPANT SHOULD BRING HIS/HER OWN LAPTOP