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Homecoming 2013 Shows Pride in Their Stripes



This year's homecoming presented a line-up of exciting events for students to enjoy. The week jump started with glow-in-the dark Zumba session in which students 'glowed and glistened' during the intense cardiovascular workout. From there, students enjoyed a basketball battle between university faculty and staff and local celebrity athletes. Students were marveled at the staff's ability to keep up with their younger opponents during the friendly competition. Thursday brought some "Seriously Funny" talent to the stage during the annual comedy show hosted by comedian and Houston native Mickey Housley featuring Tyler Craig. Students got their chance to showcase their talents in the "TSU Got Talent" talent show following the comedians.

On Friday, the annual Yard Festival gave all students the chance to mingle with alumni who came back to celebrate while enjoying a variety of live musical acts from performers from around the country. That night students then forwarded their attention to the highly anticipated National Pan-Hellenic Step Show; the Alpha Phi Alpha and Delta Sigma Theta organizations managed to step their way into the championship title for their respective categories. The next day student organization representatives and volunteers, Homecoming Royalty and university administration took over Houston's downtown streets for the Homecoming Tiger Parade. Following the valiant effort by the Tiger football team versus Alcorn State, everyone came back to campus for the Campus Tailgating festivities. There was food and drink for everyone and the Keeping the Music Alive live musical performance entertained the crowd until midnight. After that it was time for everyone to say goodnight and goodbye until next year.

Alumni got their chance to come together starting with the 12th annual Tiger Paw Golf Classic held this year at Goose Creek Country Club in Baytown. The tournament was won by the team of Alton Miller, Donald Suber, Jason James, Marcella Singleton, and Chris Morris. They each received custom golf clubs. Following all of the exciting golf action, alumni from all over the United States got together at the Westin Galleria to celebrate and recognize the outstanding individual chapter members during the Alumni Mixer and Networking Reception. During halftime of the football game, Julia Askew and the TSUNAA presented a check to the university for \$100,000 for student scholarships.

On Friday evening, more than 720 guests attended Texas Southern University's 2013 President's Gala at the Westin Galleria. Attendees packed the ballroom for an elegant evening celebrating the University and community. Mistress of Ceremonies Melanie Lawson of KPRC-TV led the program, which acknowledged 13 Chapter Alumni of the year and 12 alumni and community partners. The six alumni honored at the event were Ricky Anderson, Winfred Frazier, Dale Long, Alice Mendoza, Perry Miller and Gerald Womack.

Community Partners included Keith Davis, Reverend William A. Lawson and his wife Audrey Lawson, Floyd LeBlanc, Janiece Longoria, Ann Stern and Roosevelt and Marlene Petry.

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E-News "Letters":

The Gala was a blast!!! I hope that the capital gain to the University was consistent with the amount of excitement it generated for the attendees. It was easy to see that everyone had a great time also.

I am, however, now committed to offering tangible support to my school in some other ways.

Sin Seer Lee

Carlos Washington

You guys and your teams pulled off an exceptional weekend of activities! We've all been to a whole lot of gala events in our time, but rarely do you have people talking about it for days! Friday evening was so much fun and I believe everyone felt like they got their money's worth! It was an extraordinarily good time! I tried to come back to the tailgate after the game and there was at least 6-8 blocks of parked cars on the south side of Blodgett! AWESOME!

I just wanted to reach out and share the great feedback I'm hearing and congratulate you on a wonderful homecoming week!

--Muriel

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Special guest U.S. Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee briefly spoke about the contributions of the University and its alumni to the community. U.S. Congressman Al Green was also in attendance at the event.

The evening included musical performances by Natalie Foreman, Vincent Powell and a concert by Regina Belle, Howard Hewitt and Chris Walker. The show was customized for Texas Southern University by Walker Entertainment Group, Ernest Walker, President.

The event raised more than \$200,000 in scholarships for students at Texas Southern University. "It is humbling to see the degree to which the community comes together to support our students and our University," said Rudley. "On behalf of our students, I thank everyone who came out to celebrate with us."

There will be a Homecoming Awards Luncheon Friday, November 1st, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Tiger Room on the third floor of the Student Center to announce winners of the campus decorating contest and other recognitions.



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