Texas Southern University Honors Dr. Thomas F. Freeman During Annual Founders Day Ceremony

A star-studded crowd including current and former members of the TSU Debate Team, Honors College students, retired TSU faculty, alumni, current faculty and staff and a host of dignitaries and friends were on hand at Texas Southern University’s H&PE Arena September 13, to pay tribute to the legendary Dr. Thomas F. Freeman during this year’s Founders Day observance.

Professor and founder/coach of TSU’s highly acclaimed Debate Team, Dr. Thomas F. Freeman served as the keynote speaker for the annual Founders Day program. Freeman, recognized as an ‘Institution within the Institution’, has spent 69 years teaching psychology and philosophy, motivating and mentoring hundreds of impressionable and eager students. Dr. Freeman retired on August 31, as a Distinguished Professor Emeritus. The university has created a Thomas F. Freeman Scholarship to be awarded annually to a member of the Debate Team.

Among his many accolades and accomplishments and included in his legacy, Freeman is the founding dean of the Thomas F. Freeman Honors College as well as the Distinguished Director of Forensics, having directed the TSU Debate team for 69 years.

Program participants and platform speakers included: Reverend Carlos Washington, Associate Pastor, Lilly Grove M.B.C.; Dr. Sunny Ohia, Provost & CP, Academic Affairs and Research; Leon Spencer, SGA President; TSU President Dr. John Rudley, Eva Pickens, Associate VP and Mistress of Ceremony. TSU’s Band and Choir, under the direction of Mr. Richard Lee and Mr. Roy Belfield respectively, gave stellar performances.

– See Founders Day Photos on page 2

President’s Gala Honors Alumni, Former Students, Community, Corporate Partners & Features Talented Performers

Texas Southern University will present awards to outstanding alumni and former students, community leaders and corporate and philanthropic partners at this year’s President’s Gala to be held during Homecoming 2013. The annual event is scheduled for Friday, October 18th at the Westin Galleria Hotel, located at 5060 West Alabama, Houston, TX – 77056 with a 6 p.m. reception and 7 p.m., dinner and awards presentation. Entertainment will be provided by the Ernest Walker Band featuring Howard Hewitt and Regina Belle. Alumni Honorees include: Dale Long, a College of Science and Technology Graduate, who has been recognized nationally for his work with Big Brothers and Big Sisters; Alice Mendoza, a College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences graduate who serves on the Texas State Board of Pharmacy; Winfred Frazier, a Jesse H. Jones School of Business graduate and vice president at KTRK-TV, Channel 13; Ricky Anderson, a Thurgood Marshall School of Law graduate who is an attorney and Houston businessman; Perry Miller, from the College of Science and Technology graduate, who serves as general manager, Houston Airport System, William P. ---See President’s Gala on page 2

TSU Named Military Friendly School for 2014

After years of research and a recent survey of over 12,000 schools, Texas Southern University has been named by Victory Media as a Military Friendly School® for 2014! Being named a Military Friendly School® ranks TSU in the top 15% of schools nationwide. As a Military Friendly School®, TSU has demonstrated a strong interest in recruiting military students. Taiwan L. Johnson serves as the University Veterans Program Coordinator.

TSU News

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

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Hobby Airport; and Gerald Womack, from the College of Business, who currently serves as president of the Houston Black Realtors Association and is a Houston Businessman. Local chapter alumni from more than 16 TSUNAA chapters will also be recognized.

Community Partners and the awards to be presented are: The Foundation award will be presented to the Houston Endowment, Community Leaders award will be presented to Rev. Bill and Audrey Lawson, the Legacy Partner award goes to the Port Authority of Houston, TSU’s Media Trendsetter award will be presented to Keith Davis of D-Mars, and the Corporate award recipient is CenterPoint Energy-David McClanahan. The university will also acknowledge Power Couples for their continued support of Texas Southern University. This year’s power couples for the President’s Gala are; Dr. John and Docia Rudley, Anthony Chase and Dr. Dina Alsowaye, Jodie and Sonceria Jiles, Walter and Leona Provost, Marty and Sue Wycliff. Tickets are $150 per person and are still available and may be purchased by calling the Alumni Relations and Special Events office at Texas Southern University at 713-313-1363 or via email at events@tsu.edu or visiting the website at www.tsu.edu. For additional information about Homecoming 2013, call the Homecoming Hotline at 713-313-111.
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SEPTEMBER 27, 2013
9AM UNTIL 3:30PM
in the Atrium of the
Public Affairs Building
Representatives from several off campus agencies, and on campus groups will discuss opportunities for graduate and under-graduate students to enhance their educational experience, earn course credit, and visit countries like China, Tanzania, South Africa, Brazil, France, and many others.

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DEPARTMENT OF VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS
2013-2014 Theatre Season

October 3-6
MEDEA by Euripides
directed by Rosario Rodriguez-Gonzalez

November 21-24
Death of a Salesman
by Arthur Miller
directed by Oscar Criner

February 20-23
One Monkey Don't Stop No Show
by Don Evans
directed by Detria Ward

April 18-20
DREAMGIRLS
music by Henry Krieger
lyrics and book by Tom Eyen
directed by Cleo House

You are cordially invited to the Texas Southern University 2013 President’s Gala.
Friday, October 18, 2013
Reception 6:00 p.m. - Dinner 7:00 p.m.
Westin Galleria Hotel
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Recognizing Outstanding TSU Alumni, Community Leaders, and Corporate & Philanthropic Partners
This Year’s Philanthropic Partner - Houston Endowment

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