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## HPD officer named acting police chief at TSU



Texas Southern University has announced that **Mary Young** has been named new acting chief of police for the Department of Public Safety at Texas Southern University.

Young, a veteran officer with Houston Police Department (HPD), served as the community service specialist for the Southwest Patrol Division. She designed and implemented grassroots programs for youth and seniors. She established partnerships with non-profit organizations, community leaders and local business stakeholders to bridge the gap between HPD and the community. She has trained officers and college interns in community engagement, networking and career preparedness.

“We are excited to have an officer of Ms. Young’s caliber join our University,” said TSU President Dr. Austin A. Lane. “Her experience in connecting and developing positive bonds with the communities that she serves will prove valuable as we continue in our efforts to make Texas Southern University one of the safest campuses in Texas.”

Young is a graduate of James Madison Senior High School where she excelled in sports and academics, earning her diploma at 16. She received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Communications/Law Enforcement from Prairie View A&M University and a Master of Arts degree in Criminology/Sociology from Sam Houston State University. Young is a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated.

Young received a Master Peace Officer’s certificate from the state of Texas, a teacher’s certificate in Secondary Education, and a certificate of completion in Homeland Security from Louisiana State University. She is a member on several boards and associations, including the Institute of Social Justice, National Black Police Association, Houston Police Officer’s Union, African American Police Officer’s League, Houston Police Burial Fund Association, and Teach for America.

## Dede named citizen of the year by Pennsylvania chamber



Three-time Texas Southern University alumna Dr. **Brenda Sanders Dede** was named Citizen of the Year for 2016 by the Clarion (Pennsylvania) Area Chamber of Business and Industry. Dede, who earned her bachelor’s degree in sociology/social work, master’s in business education and doctorate in higher education administration from TSU, serves as the associate vice president for academic affairs at Clarion University.

She is in her second term as vice president of the Clarion Borough Council. Dede has also served with the Clarion Area Chamber, Borough Planning Commission, Kiwanis Club, United Way, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, SAFE domestic violence agency, Clarion County Community Choir and First Baptist Church.

In 2012, Dede was recognized as a distinguished volunteer by the Clarion University Alumni Association for her work in the community and at the university.

“Dr. Dede is an outstanding educator, student advocate and civic leader,” said Clarion President Dr. Karen Whitney. “We are a better university and community because of her. We are very proud of her and of the community that is recognizing her for her invaluable contributions.”

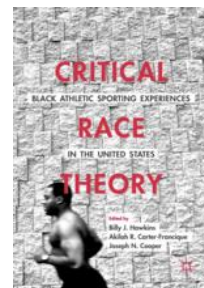
Dede was inducted into Texas Southern University’s College of Education Hall of Fame in 2010.

## Board of Regents honor SWAC basketball champions



TSU’s Board of Regents honored members of the men’s and women’s basketball teams on March 22 for their recent success during the 2016-2017 Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC) season. Both teams won their respective SWAC regular-season and tournament championships and advanced to the NCAA Tournament. This was the first time in school history that both teams advanced to NCAA Tournament in the same season.

## TSU professors featured in new book on HBCU athletes



Dr. **Courtney L. Flowers** and Dr. **J. Kenyatta Cavil**, TSU Sport Management program professors, co-authored a chapter in the just-released book, *Critical Race Theory: Black Athletic Sporting Experiences in the United States*.

The section, “Stop Snitching: The impact of this movement on HBCU students in the field of sport”, highlights the institutionalization of collegiate athletics, its governance structure and leadership. The authors used hip-hop context to show a correlation between the negative connotation of snitching to the win-at-all-costs mentality of college sports.

The chapter details the undercurrent of racial prejudice that drives the current opposition to paying college athletes and shows relationships between the NCAA, the Power Five conference at predominately white colleges and universities, and black college athletes.



## University Calendar 2017

**Monday, January 30 - Sunday, April 30, 2017**

**Gridiron Glory:**

**The Best of the Pro Football Hall of Fame**

University Museum, 10:00 a.m - 8:00 p.m.

M-S; 10:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Sun.

[Click Here for tickets](#)

**Saturday, March 25, 2017**

**Shaundra Simmons Foundation Walk for Colon Cancer**

Metropolitan CME Church, 8955 S. Frwy. Houston

**Rise Against Hunger**

Wesley Foundation, 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

**Monday, March 27 - Friday, March 31, 2017**

**College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences Week**

For information on the full schedule of events and locations, email [cophsoss@tsu.edu](mailto:cophsoss@tsu.edu)

**Tuesday, March 28 - Thursday, March 30, 2017**

**Research Week**

**"One World Connected Through Research"**

Abstracts and registration must be submitted by

March 10 to [owerbachd@tsu.edu](mailto:owerbachd@tsu.edu)

**2nd Annual Intra-Collegiate Conference**

*From the Middle Passage to Black Lives Matter II*

For complete schedule, contact Debra Cartwright at

713-313-4282

**Wednesday, March 29, 2017**

**Faculty Senate Elections**

Robert J. Terry Library, 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

**Thursday, March 30, 2017**

**Honors Day Convocation**

H&PE Arena, 1:00 p.m.

HONOREES LINEUP STARTS AT NOON

For more information contact the Honors College at

713-313-6725

**Saturday, April 1, 2017**

**TSU Choir Concert - Festivals of Spirituals Concert**

St. Luke Community United Methodist Church, 3:00 p.m.

5710 East R. L. Thornton Freeway, Dallas 75223

## TSU Aviation program reaches new milestone



The Department of Aviation Science and Technology took a major step toward becoming a Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) approved flight program during Spring Break when it took possession of two new aircraft.

**Matthew Julien**, former chief pilot and current first officer for Envoy Airlines, (shown above) earned the privilege of flying TSU's aircraft to Signature Aviation - Hobby Airport. The first aircraft – a Cessna 150 Maroon and Gray – arrived on March 14. The second aircraft, a Cessna 172, arrived on March 16. Captain **Roscoe Edwards**, TSU's director of flight operations, had the honor of driving the chase vehicle for the occasion.

"Adding these aircraft to our fleet is a major accomplishment for our department," Capt. Edwards said. "This will help tremendously in recruiting students to the program and preparing them with the foundation to enter graduate school or enter the workforce as entry level aviation professionals.

TSU's aviation program is currently an FAA-approved ground program.

## Astros invite Sport Management students to symposium



A group of students from the Problems in Recreation and Sports Management course led by Dr. **Courtney L. Flowers** was invited to attend a career symposium facilitated by the Houston Astros.

The one-day symposium included a question and answer session with executives from the Astros organization and a tour of Minute Maid Park. The students got an opportunity to network with Sport Management professors and students from Baldwin Wallace University, who were also in attendance.

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Congratulations to

**Mr. Laymond Wilburn, 3L**

on being selected as one of

The National Jurist Magazine's

**2017 Law Students of the Year**

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Congratulates

**Ms. Nekketta Archie, 3L**

for winning

Outstanding Oral Advocacy

25<sup>th</sup> Annual Duberstein

Bankruptcy Moot Court Competition

March 4-6, 2017, New York, NY





## *Save the Date*

# Texas Southern University *University Honors Day Convocation\**

*Thursday, March 30, 2017*

*12:00 PM Honorees Lineup*

*1:00-2:00 PM Program*

## "Excellence in Achievement"

*Health and Physical Education Arena (H&PE)*

*All students who earned a GPA of 3.0 or above in Spring 2016 and/or Fall 2016 will receive recognition at this University-wide ceremony, including high praise from the deans, provost, and president. A reception will follow the ceremony.*

*\*If you met the requirements of 3.0 or higher with 12 semester credit hours completed in each of the long semesters and do not receive a letter of notification to attend the University Honors Day Convocation as an honoree, please call the Honors College at 713.313.6725.*