TSU Honors Academic Success

Texas Southern University’s Division of Academic Affairs and Research has scheduled the University’s Honors Day Convocation for Thursday, April 2, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. in the H&PE Arena. This year’s keynote speaker is Zakiya Larry, an award-winning communications professional, former Miss Texas Southern University 2003-2004, former Miss Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC) 2004, graduate of Texas Southern University’s School of Communication, and graduate of the Frederick Douglass Honors Program, later renamed the Thomas F. Freeman Honors College.

A speaker and former Texas Southern University debater who trained under the world-renowned Dr. Thomas F. Freeman, Larry won first place in International Parliamentary Debate in Rome, Italy and conducted communications workshops in Johannesburg, South Africa. She also spoke in the East Room at the White House, broadcast live in 160 countries. A writer, speaker and presentation coach based in Dallas, Texas, Larry is also the owner/president of Quest Media Training, providing media and interview coaching for executives, non-profit leaders, rising political stars, professional athletes and pageant competitors. She currently serves as the Director of Media Relations for T.D. Jakes Ministries.

Honors Day is a one-hour celebration of the achievement of 2,812 students from all of the colleges/schools who earned a 3.0 GPA or better and completed 12 semester credit hours in Fall and/or Spring semesters 2014. Honorees are expected to arrive by 1:00 p.m. Faculty, staff, family, and friends should arrive by 1:30 p.m. A reception will follow immediately after convocation.

APHA Appoints Dr. Bullard to Publications Board

Barbara Jordan – Mickey Leland School of Public Affairs Dean, Dr. Robert Bullard, has been appointed to the American Public Health Association (APHA) Publications Board. The APHA Publications Board is one of APHA’s most active working groups, which oversees all books developed and published through APHA. Each board member represents a defined area of public health expertise. This appointment is for three years.

For more information on APHA and its work, please CLICK HERE.
Disability Awareness Day Needs Your Support

The Office of Disability Services (ODS) is hosting its biannual Disability Awareness Day (DAD) event Tuesday, March 31, 2015 in the Student Life Center, room 207A from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

DAD is an opportunity to promote unity by inviting the TSU community to participate in ODS endeavors to educate and create awareness related to the challenges people with disabilities encounter on a daily basis. DAD seeks to empower people as we advocate and support others’ ambition and determination to overcome life barriers. DAD celebrates diversity and strives to build an integrated community in which all people are equally valued.

The ODS is asking all TSU faculty and staff to support their efforts in educating and developing awareness to the TSU student body by participating in the event. You are invited to bring your class to the event and consider granting extra credit opportunities to stimulate an interest and encourage attendance. The event is designed to be a life changing experience. Everyone’s support and cooperation is greatly appreciated and genuinely needed to exhibit a united front that demonstrates equality.

Event schedule is as follows:

11am -12 Noon Interactive Activities/ Demonstrations TSU SLC, rm 207 A
12 Noon - 1pm Panelist Discussion TSU SLC, rm 207 A
1pm - 2pm Interactive Activities/ Demonstrations TSU SLC, rm 207 A

If you have any questions regarding this request please contact ODS at 713-313-4210.
Health Screenings Available March 31

Student Health Services will host Walgreens and the National Urban League Tuesday, March 31 in the Student Center from 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. for free health screenings and information. The Walgreens Way to Health Tour will provide blood pressure, cholesterol, vision and blood glucose screenings as well as weight assessments and Affordable Health Care Act health insurance information. For more information call Health Services at 713-313-7173.

Let’s have some fun! Submit your photo in one of your favorite hats or ties. H.A.T.S. & T.I.E.S. is a student support program at TSU and we are hosting the national stage play CROWNS to raise money for our students. Spread the word and feel free to post your comments.

Softball Coach Notches 200th Career Victory

It was an historic day for the Lady Tigers softball program March 24, as TSU head coach Worley Barker captured his 200th career victory with a 5-2 win over Alabama State.

“I’m very thankful for all of the student-athletes who have played under my tutelage as a head coach,” said Barker. “This is a great accomplishment and it would not have been possible without their contributions to our program over the years.”

The Lady Tigers improved their record in SWAC play to 3-1 on the season.

Sammantha Jimenez went the distance for the Lady Tigers pitching a complete game versus the Lady Hornets while allowing just two earned runs and four hits. Kacey Creel led the team at the plate with two RBIs.