TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY
Homecoming 2015 • October 11 –17

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Celebrating
100 Years
1915 – 2015
of Alumni Excellence
Tennessee State University

Removable Schedule Insert!
Dear Alumni and Friends,

We are excited and awaiting your arrival for Tennessee State University’s 2015 Homecoming Celebration. This year we focus on one of our institution’s greatest commodities — our esteemed alumni. Our theme is “TSU: Celebrating 100 Years of Alumni Excellence.” Yes, 2015 marks 100 years that our National Alumni Association has been actively engaged in ensuring the life and legacy of TSU is present for generations to come. Through the support of our alumni, we continue to see great things happen here and look forward to 100 more years of involvement and support.

During the week of Oct. 11-17, join us as we present a Homecoming to remember filled with traditional events like the Miss TSU Coronation and the Homecoming Parade to lively fellowship events like the annual White-Out Mixer, Fish Fry, and Pep Rally. There is also a chance for everyone to dress up and give back at the Scholarship Gala and cheer on Big Blue during the Homecoming football game. We encourage you to take a moment to review this Homecoming pamphlet, which provides detailed scheduling information on Homecoming activities. It’s also detachable for you to take with you.

There’s no homecoming like a Tennessee State University Homecoming! So, start planning out your wardrobe, itinerary and time for catching up with old friends! We look forward to you seeing you and your family in October!

Sincerely,

Cassandra Griggs
Director
Office of Alumni Relations and Annual Giving
### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11
- **3:00 P.M.**
  - Robert N. Murrell Oratorical Contest
  - Floyd-Payne Campus Center
  - Robert N. Murrell Forum
  - Contact: Dr. Jacqueline Mitchell
  - (615) 963-7260
- **6:00 P.M.**
  - Gospel Concert
  - Kean Hall
  - Contact: Dr. Jame’l Hodges
  - (615) 963-5085

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 12
- **11:00 A.M.**
  - Courtyard
  - Welton Plaza (Old Courtyard)
- **7:00 P.M.**
  - Battle of Residence Halls
  - Floyd-Payne Campus Center
  - Kean Hall Gymnasium
  - Contact(s): Yolanda Cato
  - (615) 963-7960 or Joe Stukes
  - (615) 963-7879

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13
- **7:00 P.M.**
  - Blue Sapphire Awards
  - Walter S. Davis Humanities Building – Poag Auditorium
  - Contact: Randy Arnold
  - (615) 963-5119

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14
- **11:00 A.M.**
  - Aspire Hoops and Hip-Hop College Tour
  - Welton Plaza
  - Contact: Student Affairs
  - (615) 963-5644
- **7:00 P.M.**
  - Coronation for Mr. TSU & Miss TSU
  - Kean Hall
  - Contact: Dr. Jame’l Hodges
  - (615) 963-5085
- **9:00 P.M.**
  - Non-Greek Organizations Yard Show
  - Amphitheater
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### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15
- **3:00 P.M.**
  - Mr. & Miss TSU Reception
  - President’s Home
    - **4:00 p.m.** - Group Picture
      - (Rose Garden)
  - Contact: Student Affairs
  - (615) 963-5644
- **7:00 P.M.**
  - Homecoming Concert
  - Howard C. Gentry Complex
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  - **Cost:** Students (with valid college ID) - $25 in advance and $40 at door; General public - $35 in advance and $50 at the door.

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16
- **11:30 A.M.**
  - Student Pep Rally
  - William Jasper Hale Stadium
  - Contact: Dr. Jame’l Hodges
  - (615) 963-5085
- **5:00 P.M.**
  - TSU National Pan-Hellenic Step Show
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- **9:00 A.M.**
  - Homecoming Parade to the Campus
  - 14th & Jefferson Street to 33rd & John Merritt Blvd
- **NOON**
  - Showcase of Bands
  - William Jasper Hale Stadium
  - Contact: Michelle Allen
  - (615) 963-5350
  - **Cost:** $10.00
- **5:45 P.M.**
  - Pre-Game
  - Nissan Stadium (formerly LP Field)
- **6:00 P.M.**
  - Kick Off (TSU vs. Eastern Illinois)
  - Nissan Stadium (formerly LP Field)
  - Contact: TSU Ticket Office
  - (615) 963-5841
  - **Cost:** $15.00 up to $50.00
- **9:00 P.M.**
  - (TSUNAA) Homecoming Victory Party
  - Location: TBA
  - Contact: Tony Wells
2014 Homecoming Pictorial Highlights
September 21–27, 2014
Alumni Homecoming Week
October 11-17, 2015

Grand Marshal(s): Former Presidents, National Alumni Association
Honoree(s): Former Alumni Directors, Tennessee State University
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Homecoming Class Reunions
*Contact: The Office of Alumni Relations
for a full list of activities
Contact: Sonya Smith – (615) 963-2936

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SUB6 Ice Cream Social
President’s Lawn
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8:00 P.M.  
Alumni White-Out Mixer  
Location: TBA  
Attire: White  
Contact: Cassandra Griggs (615) 963-5831  
Cost: $20 before Oct. 5; $25 after Oct. 5

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8:00 A.M.  
President’s Alumni Breakfast  
Farwell-Westbrook Agricultural Building  
Contact: Cassandra Griggs (615) 963-5831  
Cost: $20.00

8:00 A.M.  
Ralph Boston Golf Tournament  
Ted Rhodes Golf Course  
Contact: Ben Northington (615) 963-5522  
Cost: $125.00

8:30 A.M.  
Service Project: “Think, Work, Service”  
Hadley Park  
Contact: Randy Arnold (615) 963-5119

10:00 A.M.  
Charles Campbell Fish Fry  
President’s Lawn  
Contact: Sandra Hunt (615) 395-4931  
Cost: $10.00

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The Flying Tigers and Tigerbelles Reunion  
Ed Temple Track  
Contact: Chandra Cheeseborough, (615) 294-0051

6:00 P.M.  
Scholarship Gala  
Omni Hotel  
Reception – 6:00 p.m.  
Dinner and Program – 7:00 p.m.  
Contact: Foundation Office – (615) 963-7756

9:00 P.M.  
Jesse James Football Alumni Mixer  
Location: The Cave, 609 9th Avenue, South  
Contact: Jerrold McRae (615) 491-2969 or George Hendricks (615) 423-4039  
Cost: $20.00

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Contact: TSUNAA (615) 963-5885

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2015 Grand Marshals
Tennessee State University National Alumni Association Former Presidents

RUBIN PERRY
1976-1978

ROBERT L. SMITH
1998-2002

JAMES FORD
2002-2006

ADA JACKSON
2006-2008

ROBERT A. BROWN
1972-1976

LEONARD STEPHENS
2008-2012

MARY KNOWLES JONES
1986-1990

PHOTOS NOT AVAILABLE

LAWRENCE PORTER
1990-1994

MARY A. ADAMS
1994-1998

2015 Honorees
Tennessee State University Former Alumni Directors

LEON KING
1979-1990

MARGARET WHITFIELD
1990-2001

MICHELLE VIERA
2001-2011
## TSU 2015 Football Schedule

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*Ohio Valley Conference (OVC) game*
Ms. Michelle Viera, Chair
Ms. Cassandra Griggs, Co-Chair

Ms. Michelle Allen
Mr. Randy Arnold
Ms. Jennifer Bell
Mr. Sam Branch
Ms. Courtney Buggs
Chief Anthony Carter
Ms. Yolanda Cato
Dr. Gregory Clark
Ms. Peggy Earnest
Mr. Marcus Fritz
Ms. Jessica Gabriel
Mr. Thomas Graham
Ms. Annie Harris
Mr. Albert Hill
Dr. Jame’l Hodges
Ms. Sandra D. H. Hunt
Ms. Sharon Hurt
Dr. Curtis Johnson
Ms. Joni McReynolds
Dr. Jacqueline Mitchell
Mr. Keith Morgan
Sgt. Henry Perry
Dr. Sharon Peters
Ms. K. Dawn Rutledge
Ms. Toni Scruggs
Ms. Kelli Sharpe
Mr. Joel Sims
Mr. Joe Stukes
Ms. Seanne Wilson
Mr. Grant Winrow
Ms. Keyasha Wright
Ms. Tierra Young
Class Reunion Celebration

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For more information, contact the

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