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TEXAS COLLEGE CELEBRATES HOMECOMING

Tyler, Texas – Beginning October 1, 2017, Texas College will celebrate her Homecoming. See below for the Schedule of Activities for the week.

October 1

- **Homecoming Gospel Explosion** – An event featuring the Texas College Concert Choir, the Jarvis Christian College Choir, and the Wiley College Choir to kick off Homecoming. The event will be held in the Gus F. Taylor Gymnasium beginning at 6 PM.

October 4

- **PCM Uganda Choir** - The Parental Care Ministries (PCM) Uganda Choir will perform at Texas College's weekly College Assembly. The event will take place in the Gus F. Taylor Gymnasium at 11 AM.
- **HIP Football Game** - The Head Impact Prevention - HIP Football game will be hosted on Texas College's campus (the first HBCU to host a HIP Game.) Spearheaded by former NFL Players, the goal is to reduce head trauma via new approaches and equipment. The game is 11 on 11, but not full contact. Instead, there is sensory equipment to give "two hand touch" a different approach and feel. The game will be played on the LLC Field beginning at 5 PM.

October 5

- **Homecoming Blood Drive** – The College will be partnering with Carter Blood Care to collect for East Texans, as well as the Harvey Relief Effort.

October 6

- **Homecoming Convocation** - Beginning at 11 AM in the Gus F. Taylor Gymnasium, Texas College invites the community to celebrate Homecoming as alumni return to campus.
- **Miss Texas College Coronation** – Chasey R. Shepard will be crowned as Miss Texas College for the 2017 – 2018 year. After being selected in the Spring Term, she will serve the College as an ambassador and leader on campus. Miss Texas College is a time honored tradition dating back almost 100 years, where a Camus Queen is selected to serve the College and her students through many different avenues. The Coronation will take place in the Gus F. Taylor Gymnasium a beginning at 6 PM.

October 7

- **Annual Texas College Homecoming Parade** – The Parade will begin at 10 AM starting on the corner of Englewood Ave. and Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Multiple organizations have confirmed to participate. Below is the parade route.
 - Englewood Ave. and Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
 - Turn right on MLK and proceed to Border Ave.
 - Turn left on 27 Street and proceed to Grand Ave.
 - Turn left on Grand Ave. and proceed to Texas
 - Enter the campus at the first entrance to the right, by the Willie Lee Glass Building
- **Battle of the Bands** – Following the parade at 12 PM, all of the bands will showcase their talents and battle it out to take home the first place bragging rights and trophy.
- **Texas College Alumni Basketball Game** – The Texas College Basketball Alumni will be reliving the glory days as the face off to prove who's still got it. The event will take place at 1 PM in the Gus F. Taylor Gymnasium. Tickets are \$10.
- **Texas College Homecoming Football Game** – The Steers will play Texas Wesleyan University to celebrate Homecoming. The game will be played at Christus Trinity Mother Frances Rose Stadium beginning at 7 PM. Tickets are for sale in the Business Office for \$10, \$15 at the gate, Children 11 & under are free.

All events are free and open to the public, unless otherwise specified.

About Texas College

Celebrating over 120 years of providing educational opportunities, Texas College is a historical black college founded in 1894, by a group of CME ministers. Our mission, which continues to embody the principles of the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church, is to ensure that the student body experiences balanced intellectual, psychological, social and spiritual development, aimed at enabling them to become active productive members of society where they live and work. TC is led by its 23rd President Dr. Dwight Fennell. To learn more about Texas College, visit us on the web at www.texascollege.edu. For information regarding planned giving, endowed scholarships and sponsorships, please contact The Office of the President at afennell@texascollege.edu or call 903.593.8311 ext. 2270.