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Dr. Melvin Johnson

TSU's 2006

Grand Marshall

For the very first time in the history of Tennessee State University, the school will honon a non-graduate of the University as Homecoming Grand Marshall.

Dr. Melvin N. Johnson, TSU's 7th President, began his tenure on June 1, 2005. Dr. Johnson will be formally inaugurated on October 27, 2006, the

Friday of Homecoming Week. The Presidential Installation Ceremony will be held in Gentry Center at 9:00 a.m., with the reception to follow at 10:30. Friday night at 7:00 p. m. the Presidential Inaugural Scholarship Dinner and Ball (tickets \$150.00 per person and formal attire) will be held at the Opryland Hotel.

Dr. Johnson previously served as provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs at Winston-Salem State University in North Carolina and was also a tenured professor of economics. He previously taught at the U.S. Air Force Academy and completed a distinguished military career, retiring as a lieutenant colonel from the Air Force.

Dr. Johnson received his undergraduate degree in economics from North Carolina A&T State University and earned the master of arts in economics from Ball State University. He received an M.B.A. and D.B.A. in business economics and public policy from Indiana University. His post-doctoral studies include the Harvard Institute for

Higher Education, Institute for Education Management; Harvard Institute for Higher Education, Institute for Management and Leadership in Education; and Harvard Graduate School of Education, in Cambridge, Mass.

Dr. Jonson has been a Kellogg Leadership Fellow (National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education), and a Millennium Leadership Institute Protege (American Association of State Colleges and Universities), He is also a member of the 2005-2006 class of Leadership Nashville.

Over the past year Dr. Johnson has filled key staff positions and implemented his ongoing transitional plans for the University. Over the past couple of months, he has filled several senior level administrative positions (these persons are profiled in more detail elsewhere in this issue), and has started several new initiatives to provide better services for students. Dr. Johnson has made some impressive marks with his background in business, by being very detail oriented, and also with his serious, yet pleasant personality as he leads the University.

As TSU's president, Dr. Johnson, formally signed an agreement with Nevada's Desert Research Institute (DRI) president Stephen Wells on April 27, 2006. This memorandum of understanding established a long-term research partnership between TSU and DRI, which is a component of the Nevada System of Higher Education. DRI environmental research programs include atmospheric sciences, ecosystems, and arid lands management. DRI also plays a major role in an international effort to bring clean water to Ghana, Mali, and Niger.

Dr. Johnson has created the TSU Blue Ribbon Commission on Campus Safety. The Commission on Campus Safety at the university consists of a steering committee and three sub-committees.

Tennessee State University is a major, comprehensive, urban, land-grant University which offers students study in 43 bachelor's degrees, 24 master's degrees and 5 doctoral programs. More than 8,880 students currently attend classes at TSU.

Appreciation is extended to Dr. Johnson for all he has done for the University during his first year in office, with best wishes for many more years of service. The faculty and staff of Special Collections, and the Brown-Daniel Library at TSU want you to know that we appreciate your work. You are a living symbol of success, encouragement, and an inspiration to many. Congratulations on your upcoming Inauguration as the seventh president of Tennessee State University.





*Tennessee State University 2006
Homecoming Honoree*

Dr. Marcelite (Marcy) Johnson.

Tennessee State University's 2006 Homecoming Honoree is Dr. Marcy Johnson.

Dr. Johnson, a native of Savannah, Georgia, has over thirty years of diverse management experience and training with strong background in project management, decision support systems, web-technologies, web/portal development and online applications; over eleven years of higher education experience; over five years of distance learning program/course development; and proven ability to design and direct complex resource information management programs/technical training programs. She recently served as the Chief Information Officer and Dean of the Center for Teaching, Learning, and Technology at Bennett College for Women. Prior to going to Bennett College, she served as the CEO/President of Innovative Digital Solutions,

Incorporated. During her illustrious career, she held professional positions with Wang Laboratories, the Department of the Army, Hewlett-Packard, and Ford Aerospace Communications.

Dr. Johnson received her undergraduate degree in mathematics from the University of Colorado and earned her Master of Science in Education from Indiana University. She received her Ph.D. in Curriculum and Instruction with an emphasis in Instructional Technology from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

Her honors include: PHI KAPPA PHI, ALPHA KAPPA MU, WHO'S WHO IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (2001), and several other WHO'S WHO. She currently serves on the Tennessee Performing Arts Center Board of Directors, Urban League of Middle Tennessee Board, and All About Women Advisory Board. She is a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., the Hendersonville Links, NAACP, and the Charlotte Chapter of the National Smart Set. Dr. Johnson is also the wife of Tennessee State University's seventh president, Dr. Melvin N. Johnson. They are the proud parents of Mr. Melvin Roschaun Johnson, twin adult daughters, Mrs. DeAndra Chanet Martin Esq., Mrs. Monet Nichelle Bloodworth (husband, Dr. Leotis Bloodworth) proud grandparents of Briana N. and Jailyn N. Bloodworth. TSU congratulates our new First Lady for her outstanding personal and career accomplishments.

Tennessee State University's New Administrators

Executive Vice President and Provost

Robert Hampton, Ph.D.

Dr. Hampton comes to Tennessee State University from City University of New York (CUNY), where he served as Chancellor's Faculty Fellow. Dr. Hampton was also a Professor of Sociology at York College in the CUNY system. He received his undergraduate degree in sociology from Princeton University (cum laude), and earned his master's and Ph.D. degrees in sociology from the University of Michigan.

Dr. Hampton previously served York College as its president. Prior to joining York College he served as the Associate Provost for Academic Affairs and Dean for Undergraduate Studies. Professor of Sociology at the University of Maryland College Park. In addition, Dr. Hampton has held academic appointments at Connecticut College and Harvard Medical School.

Dr. Hampton has received numerous honors and awards including Woodrow Wilson Fellow, Ford Foundation Pre-doctoral Fellow, Mellon Faculty Development Fellowship, Danforth Associate, National Research Council Postdoctoral Fellowship, Rockefeller Research Fellowship, Gimbel and Hartman Mentoring Scholar, and Drum Major for Excellence Award.

He has published extensively in the field of family violence; he has also published articles in the Journal of Marriage and the Family, Sociological Quarterly, and Violence Against Women. Dr Hampton is one of the founders of the Institute on Domestic Violence in the African American Community at the University of Minnesota and the Center of Undergraduate Research at the University of Maryland.

Vice President for

University Relations and Development

Shereitte Stokes, III

Mr. Stokes comes to Tennessee State University from University Advancement at Tuskegee University, where he worked with the Board of Trustees and provided expertise in the design and leadership of advancement programs, strategic planning, and organizational leadership. His previous appointments include: Associate Vice President for Institutional Advancement, Spelman College; Director of Corporate and Foundation Relations, Rutgers University; Development Officer, University of Toledo; and in resource development for the Philadelphia Opportunities Industrialization Center.

Mr. Stokes earned his MAED in Adult Education and Distance Learning from the University of Phoenix, and the Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science and Economics from Wilberforce University in Ohio. He attended Indiana University's Executive Leadership Institute and Vanderbilt University's Executive Management Institute. He is a member of the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education and a member of the board of directors of the Association of Fundraising Professionals.

Tennessee State University's New Administrators

Vice President for Student Affairs

Michael A Freeman, PH.D.

Dr. Freeman comes to Tennessee State University from St. Mary's College of Maryland, where he served as Vice President and Dean and Secretary to the College's Board of Trustees.

Previous appointments include: Senior Academic Advisor-College of Arts and Sciences, John Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD; Director of Residence Life, Associate Director for Minority Recruitment and Services, at St. Mary's College of MD; Academic Counselor, Special Support Services, The University of Iowa City.

Dr. Freeman earned his undergraduate degree in psychology and sociology and his Master of Arts degree in counseling and student development at the University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA and his Ph.D. degree in counseling and personnel services at the University of Maryland, College Park, MD. He also received certification from the Management Development Program at Harvard University, Cambridge, MA.

Vice President of Business and Finance

Mrs. Cynthia Brooks

Mrs. Brooks has served in an interim capacity as the Vice President for Business and Finance at Tennessee State University since June 29, 2004. Her permanent appointment was approved by the Board of Regents and Chancellor Charles Manning in June 2006.

Mrs. Brooks reports directly to President Johnson and serves on his executive staff. She continues to oversee operations for four departments at TSU: budget and fiscal planning, finance and accounting, facilities management, and travel. Mrs. Brooks is a licensed certified public accountant (CPA) in the state of Tennessee. A native of Biloxi, Mississippi, she is a graduate of Sacred Heart Girls High School, with a B.S. from Fisk University and the MBA from Vanderbilt University.

Mrs. Brooks previous experiences include work as a senior accountant at Meharry Medical College before becoming the Accounting Supervisor and later the Assistant Controller. At Vanderbilt University she was Accounts Payable Supervisor; at the Tennessee Board of Regents she served as Director of Fiscal Services in the Central Office; later she transferred to Tennessee State University, where she has worked as Director of Budget and Fiscal Planning, Director of Finance and Accounting, Assistant Vice President of Academic Affairs, and Interim Vice President for Business and Finance before accepting her present position.

Chief of Staff and University Counsel

Lisa Karen Atkins, JD

Ms. Atkins' appointment became effective June 30, 2006, after approval by TBR Chancellor Charles Manning. She reports directly to President Johnson and her responsibilities include: legal advice and legal representation; formulation and assistance in the implementation of risk management and loss prevention strategies; and service as a liaison to the TBR Office of General Counsel. Ms. Atkins has served as legal counsel for TSU since joining TBR in 2000, and was also litigation counsel for TSU while employed as a staff attorney for the Tennessee Attorney General's Office. She previously earned a bachelor's degree in English from the University of Notre Dame, and a Doctor of Jurisprudence from the University of Tennessee.

Art Corner



My work comes through the spun linear epic tales that were whispered at bedtime by my grandmothers. I believe that is why I have come to make art that is narrative. My art work is full of motivational and emotional characters that are both humorous and deadly serious.

Art Work by Meg Artley

Rite Before Myth



BABY

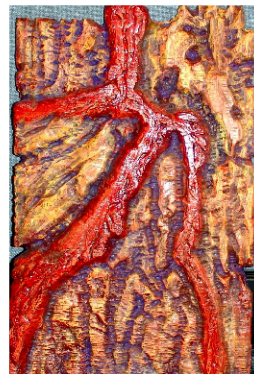


My new works represent an effort to blend two-dimensional abstract painting with three-dimensional carved on assembled wooden surfaces; they are also intended to stimulate the viewer's imagination through both tactile and visual sensations.

Art Work by
Mitchell
Chamberlain

Spiritual Moment

Giving Life





Dr. Phyllis Rose Qualls-Brooks

Former Director of TSU Public Relations

Dr. Phyllis Qualls-Brooks received her doctorate degree (Ed.D.) in Higher Education Administration from Peabody College of Education at Vanderbilt University on Friday, May 12, 2006. The title of her dissertation is: Tennessee State University and the Perceptions of its Various Stakeholders: 1984-2001. The grateful Mrs. Qualls-Brooks credits all to her family, church, and former colleagues and friends at TSU who traveled with her during this journey of proofing, analyzing, evaluating and encouraging her studies and research. They included Terri Woodmore, Artis Twyman, Kay Gaines and Dana Kennedy, past and present staff in the TSU Public Relations Department; TSU Library faculty and staff, including Fletcher Moon, Sharon Hull Smith, Loretta Divens, Barbara VanHooser, Lynetta Alexander, Anita Etheridge, Nancy Henthorne, and library director Dr. Yildiz Binkley. She also made the following statement: *"I have been very fortunate to have had the great TSU and Olympic Coach Edward Stanley Temple insist I complete this task"*, and expressed special thanks to him for his support. Her gratefulness extends to Drs. Gregory Clark and Carmelia Taylor for helping with research and exploring information that was pertinent to this study; Homer Wheaton and Arthur Lawson who helped to verify information; and special appreciation to Nathaniel Perry who made the official defense presentation visually substantive with technological support. Congratulations are extended to Dr. Qualls-Brooks for a job well done.

Making Donations to Special Collections at TSU

The Library is the official depository for the archives of the university. Below is a list of appropriate materials to donate to Special Collections.

- Tennessee Board of Regents' minutes, memoranda, correspondence, and reports.
- Records of the Office of the president, including correspondence, administrative subject files, and reports.
- Records of the Office of the Vice-Presidents and Deans of the College, including correspondence, subject files and reports.
- Minutes, memoranda, and reports of all major academic and administrative committees, including the faculty council and its committees.
- Records of the Office of Student Affairs including correspondence, subject files, and reports.
- Accreditation reports and supporting documents.
- Annual budget and audit reports.

- Administrative and instructional department's records of permanent historical and legal value, such as department chair's correspondence, meeting minutes, etc.
- Records of the Office of Admissions and Records, including catalogs, class schedule, non-current enrollment reports, graduation programs, and other reports as issued.
- Records of the Office of Alumni Relations including minutes of the various alumni chapters, alumni magazines, etc.
- Records of the Vice President for University Relations and Development.
- Records of Student Organization, such as constitutions, programs, flyers, newsletters, meeting minutes, photographs, sorority and fraternity material.



- All publications, newsletters, or booklets distributed in the name of the university, including special bulletins, year books student newspapers, university directories and faculty/staff rosters. Audiovisual materials documenting the development of Tennessee State University, such as still photographs and negatives, motion pictures, oral history interviews, and audio or videotapes.

Other materials you may donate:

- Manuscripts, letters, and diaries
- Photographs(labeled)
- Scrapbooks
- Professional papers
- Business records
- Memoirs/reminiscences
- Brochures and flyers
- Minutes/reports

There are several issues involved in donating manuscripts, letters, and diaries. If you are considering donating such materials, we encourage you to view the following guides created by the Society of American Archivists: (www.archivists.org)

- The SAA guide to donating your organizational records (www.archivists.org/catalog/donatingorgrecs.html)

The SAA guide to donating your personal or family papers(www.archivists.org/donating-family-recs.html)

How to make a donation:

- First, call the Head of Special Collections, Sharon Hull at (615) 963-5219, who will discuss your donation and let you know of any special circumstances regarding your gift.
- Box items before bringing them to the library
- All gifts to the library are tax-deductible.
- The library staff cannot provide appraisals under IRS rules.