

OCTOBER 2009

OUR TIME...
OUR COLLEGE...
A lifetime of memories



Fellow Alumni,

It's October ... the leaves are falling, the air is crisp, our campus is full of students heading off to their classes—it's time for football games and HOMECOMING!

Every year the TJC Alumni Association welcomes former students back to campus to celebrate Homecoming and our Colleges strong history of 'Changing Lives'. This year our College has broken all records with over 11,000 students attending classes.

The Alumni Association encourages all former students to keep their strong bond with each other and TJC through participation in reunion, campus events and programs.

*Membership is open to all former students as well as friends of Tyler Junior College. If you're not a member, we **NEED YOU** to show you support Tyler Junior College by joining the TJC Alumni Association and becoming an active partner in continuing the TJC traditions.*

Apaches Forever!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Betty Briggs". The signature is fluid and cursive.

*Betty Briggs, '84
Director, Alumni Relations
www.tjc.edu/alumni*

FYI: Alumni members receive many benefits including: Complimentary tickets to our Homecoming Barbecue Tailgate party, 10% discount at our Campus Bookstore (on everything including TEXTBOOKS), free admission to athletic events, theatre and musical

productions, the Pow Wow newsletter 5 times a year— PLUS lifetime members never expire and also receive a great membership packet that includes a free TJC t-shirt!! For more information or to join, call Betty at 903-510-2371, email bbri@tjc.edu or go to our website and click on JOIN TODAY!

*P.S. Not sure if you are a member... just go to www.tjc.edu/alumni and click on **Members--** we proudly list all our loyal supporters!*



Homecoming Events ~ October 23-24

Friday, October 23:

- 11:30 am: Pep Rally & Picnic, Jenkins Lawn (No Charge/No RSVP)
- 6:30 pm: 50th Reunion Reception for Class of 1959, Apache Rooms (No Charge/RSVP*)
- 6:30 pm: Tribute to Dr. Edwin Fowler Reception/Dance for all former students & friends, Apache Rooms, Rogers (Held in conjunction with 50th Reunion-RSVP*)

Saturday, October 24:

- 11:30 am: Awards Luncheon, Apache Rooms, Rogers Student Center

2009 AWARD RECIPIENTS

- DISTINGUISHED ALUMNA—BILLIE BOYD HARTLEY, '50 Apache Belles
- APACHE SPIRIT—HEATHER & THOMAS MENSCH, Apache Band Directors
- VALUABLE YOUNG ALUMNA—CARMIN MARIE BIGGS, '99 PTK & Las Mascaras

- 2-4 pm: Reunions, 2nd Floor, Rogers Student Center (no charge)
- 5-7 pm: Alumni BQ Tailgate Party, Rose Stadium
(Free for members ~TICKETS REQUIRED!*)
- 7 pm: Football kickoff, Apaches vs. TVCC Cardinals
(members get in free—just show your card!)

***For more information or to RSVP (by Oct. 19), contact Nicole Durham in the TJC Alumni Office at 903-510-2588, 888-TJC-1926 or email ndur@tjc.edu.**

REUNIONS PLANNED

- Alumni Mixer ~ Tribute to Dr. Fowler & Reunion for Class of 1959 (Friday, 6:30 pm, Apache Rooms, Rogers) Contact Betty Briggs bbri@tjc.edu / Fred Head: fredhead@goquest.com
- Apache Cheerleaders Reunion (Saturday, 2 pm ~ Rogers)
Contact Emma Lou Prater elprater@suddenlink.net
- Apache Belles 43 Line ~ 1989-91 (Saturday, 2:30 pm, Apache Belles Floor, Ornelas Dorm)
Contact Shannan Marcontell Reid: shannan.reid@gmail.com
- Brothers' & Sisters' Reunion 1966-80
Contact: tjcreunion@yahoo.com
- Apache Band Reunion (Saturday, 2 pm ~ Rogers)
Contact Roy Sulser at roys@mail.gabc.org or Doc Deason at doc@docdeason.com
- Interpreter Training Program Alumni (Saturday, 10 am ~ Rogers)
Contact Rhonda McKinzie: rmc@tjc.edu
- Tau Kappa Sorority Reunion 70s Reunion (Saturday, 2 pm ~ Rogers)
Contact Ruby Curry at ruby.curry@usdoj.gov or 469-693-0799
- Athletic Trainers Reunion ~ Saturday, 2 p.m. ~ Rogers
Contact Eddy "Doc" McGuire at emcg@tjc.edu.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Apache Adventurers' Reception ~ Costa Rica Trip Information

October 15, 3:30 to 5:30 pm in the Apache Rooms, Rogers Student Center
Please RSVP by Oct. 12 to Karen Smith at ksmi@tjc.edu /903-510-2382

SPORTS EVENTS

APACHE FOOTBALL SCHEDULE 2009

- Aug. 29 at Independence, KS, 7 pm TJC **WIN 32-29**
- Sept. 10 Kilgore College, 7 pm **TJC WIN 51-33**
- Sept. 19 Cisco Junior College, 7 pm **TJC WIN 49-35**
- Sept. 24 at Navarro CC, 7 pm **TJC Loss 28-61**
- **Oct. 3 Blinn Community College, 3 pm TJC Loss 31-60**
- Oct. 10 at Kilgore College, 7 pm TJC **WIN 40-37**
- **Oct. 17 Arkansas Baptist, 3 pm**
- **Oct. 24 Trinity Valley CC, 7 pm — **HOMECOMING!****

- Oct. 31 at Northeastern OK, 2 pm

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## **UPDATES**

### **Coming Soon: Apache Mentoring Program**

Tyler Junior College is in the process of developing a voluntary based Apache Mentoring Program that will match freshmen with alumni who have similar academic/career aspirations, personal interests, and hobbies. These alumni mentors will provide personal support and academic guidance through frequent contact (in person, e-mail, phone, snail mail, lunch or dinner, at TJC and other social events) with the first-year student.

This program provides an opportunity for first-year students to make immediate connections with alumni who have graduated from TJC. For students, participation is not only a source of career advice, but also provides access to the invaluable personal and professional knowledge that alumni have developed through their experiences after TJC—ranging from graduate school, the working world, or life after TJC in general. For alumni, this program provides a concrete and effective way to give back and reconnect with the TJC community while developing engaging and insightful relationships with student mentees.

If this opportunity is something of interest to you or your company, please feel free to contact Annie Lan, Coordinator of Career Services at 903-510-2490 or by email at [alan1@tjc.edu](mailto:alan1@tjc.edu). This is a wonderful chance to pass on your career legacy to a new generation of Apaches.

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NOT A MEMBER—Sign up on line!
Go to www.tjc.edu/alumni/jointoday
To see a list of all our current members
go to: www.tjc.edu/alumni/members

Remember besides joining online, you can check additional photos from Homecomings and trips, leave/read a golden memory, etc. – just go to our web site!!!