

Christian McCauley, Blacks In Government Oratorical Competition Winner

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Pictured from left to right: Terry Lendo, 1st VP, Youth Program Chair, Dr. Christopher McCauley and Mrs. Madeline P. McCauley, (center) Christian McCauley, Region VI 1st Place Winner, Darrell G. Porter, Chapter Treasurer, Gregory Reeves, Chapter President

Christian McCauley, Blacks In Government Oratorical Competition Winner AUSTIN, TX - Christian McCauley, a Sophomore attending San Marcos High School is the son of Dr. Christopher and Mrs. Madeline P. McCauley of San Marcos, Texas. Christian placed 1stt Place at the Austin Chapter Competition and advanced to the BIG Region VI Competition in San Antonio Texas held at the Hilton Resort SPA on April 29th. Region VI is made up of Chapters from the states of Arkansas, Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, and Louisiana. During the competition Christian captured the attention of the judges and audience with his powerful oration of the competitions 2017 Theme: Uniting the Blue Divide: What Can Young People Do to Improve the Relationship between Law Enforcement and Their Communities? As the 1st place Winner for Region VI he will now advance to the BIG National Training Institute (NTI) in Atlantic City, New Jersey August 24, 2017 for the final competition, where students from across the United States will come together for the final youth competition. The purpose of BIG's Training In Communications (TIC) Program is to provide young people training in communications, leadership skills, and practical experiences to develop those skills. The TIC Program is composed of two parts: a) Communications Academy, and b) Student Oratorical Contest. The TIC targets 9th – 12th Grade students to compete for scholarships and awards. The TIC program enables the Austin Chapter to make a positive contribution in the community, thus increasing the chapter's visibility. It provides an excellent opportunity to share with others BIG's mission and vision. BIG is a nonprofit, nonpartisan, educational, training, and professional development organization that is an advocate for jobs, education, career advancement, housing and health services on behalf of the 3.0 million African Americans employed and retirees, in federal, state, local governments and military services. Our organizational structure is comprised of 300 chapters strategically located throughout the United States. BIG cultivates a desire to succeed, stimulate personal development and professionalism, and continuously focuses on achieving equality of opportunity for all Americans. The Austin Chapter of Blacks In Government celebrated its 33rd Anniversary on September 1st, 2017. For more information please contact Terry Lendo, 1st Vice President and Youth Program Chair @ (512) 587-0072. Thank You for Think BIG!!! www.bignet.org or <http://www.bignet.org/regional/region6/index.htm>