#### **TAI National Heritage Committee**

Greetings from the TAI Heritage Committee!

The National Heritage Committee of the Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. organization proudly issues its Forth publication TAI 45th National Convention of THE LEGACY LINE Newsletter. We are committed to reach all TAI members to bring you the latest and most up-to-date happenings of the DOTA's and their Heritage members! With your help, we will be able to share photos and the successes of our TAI family. The TAI National Convention is just weeks away and our plans for the Heritage Luncheon will amaze and surprise one and all who attend.

This is the year of the Tuskegee Airmen 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and ongoing Celebrations are Fabulous!!!!! We are looking forward to the TAI 45<sup>th</sup> National Convention and seeing <u>You</u> there! <u>Please Come Join Us!</u>

## **TAI 45<sup>th</sup> National Convention Information**

**DATES**: July 13 through July 16, 2016

LOCATION: THE WESTIN INDIANAPOLIS HOTEL

50 South Capitol Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 (317) 262 - 8100

The <u>Heritage Luncheon</u> will be held in Grand Ballroom July 15, 2016 @11:30a.m. to 1:00p.m.

For a complete itinerary of events, and to make reservations, go to TuskegeeAirmen.org

One of the highlights of the Heritage Luncheon Celebration this year will be Gifts for all attendees!!!!! There will, also, as always, be posters and scrapbooks filled with Bio's and pictures of our DOTA's (as well as copies of any current or treasured military pictures), DOTAs' Families and TAI members. We would love to have copies (no original documents please) of Your DOTA's and Heritage members Bio's, pictures and events included in these Scrapbooks and displays!!!!! If you would like to see this information and the pictures at the Heritage Luncheon and as part of our permanent collection,

### PLEASE SEND COPIES ONLY, to:

The TAI National Heritage Committee

Email: <u>tainationalheritagecommittee@yahoo.com</u>

Or mail them to: Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. c/o The TAI National Heritage Committee P.O. Box 311760; Atlanta, Georgia 31131

The Heritage Committee plans to share this information with the various Youth Organizations within our TAI ranks. Our mission is to preserve the "personal connections" between present and future families and participants of the Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. experience and to keep the DOTAs' Legacies living and ongoing for generations yet to come!!!!! Please be a "Heritage" part of this exciting effort to preserve the History of our Great and Awesome DOTA's, by sending in Your Family Bio's and Pictures.

We Sincerely Thank You in advance!

Congratulations to the Tuskegee Airmen Foundation for the Fantastic Tuskegee Airmen 75th Anniversary Program & Black Tie Gala Celebration that was held March 22, 2016, at Moton Field Tuskegee Airmen National Historic Site, National Parks Service, 1721 Gen. B. O'Davis Drive; Tuskegee, Alabama 36083 and THE GALA that was held the same date at the Renaissance Montgomery Hotel & Spa in the Convention Center, 201 Tallapoosa Street; Montgomery, Alabama 36104. The Events were enjoyed by all in attendance and the Celebrations were Awesome!!!!!



Opening Ceremony at Moton Field Celebrating the Tuskegee Airmen's 75th Anniversary



TAI National President Leon Johnson

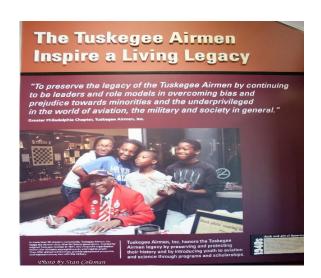












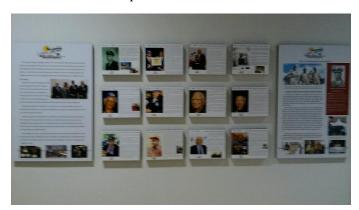


All in attendance had a WONDERFUL time!!!!!



The Fulton County Aviation Community Cultural Center Atlanta, Georgia, hosted an Atlanta Chapter Tuskegee History Exhibit from February through April, 2016. Visitors from across the United States came to view the exhibit and were totally enthralled with excitement and interest!

Here are some Snapshots:



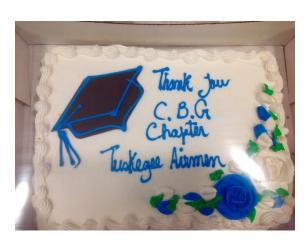


The Center is located at: 3900 Aviation Circle, NW (at the Charlie Brown Airport) Atlanta, Georgia 30336. Phone: 404 / 612-4000.

The Eastern Region Conference in Charleston, SC. with DOTA Dr. Richardson and cadets from the Citadel took place April 30, 2016.



Photos from meetings of the Claude B. Govan Tri-State Chapter, TAI









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have been unanimously accepted as TAI Heritage Committee Members due to their unwavering work and support to the Committee. We Sincerely THANK each and every one of them for their Outstanding Contributions to The Heritage Committee at the 2015 TAI National Convention.

#### CONGRATULATIONS and THANK YOU

Documented Original Tuskegee Airmen!!!!!

You gave us so much... and we Salute YOU!

Forever may the Legacy Live!!!!!

Thank You for allowing us to share our Newsletter with you! Blessings to You All! Geraldine Gilliam, Chair

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