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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- DOTA Tribute
- Corporate Donors
- 9/11 Remembered

"Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

The Golden Rule

Lt. Colonel Joe A. Lewis

Tuskegee Airmen, Inc.®



Giving History A Future!

DOTA TRIBUTE

Lt. Colonel, USAF Retired

September 11, 1919-March 27, 1996

Graduate Tuskegee Class 43F-SE

Air Medal

Greek Cross WWII

POW Medal

**Tuskegee Congressional Gold
Medal**



JOE A. LEWIS

Denver, CO

Welcome to the quarterly newsletter of the Hubert L. "Hooks" Jones Chapter. Each quarter, we pay tribute to one of our own Documented Original Tuskegee Airmen (DOTA). This quarter we are honoring Lt. Colonel Joseph (Joe) A. Lewis. Joe served honorably and survived six months as a POW during WWII.

With the help of his son Joseph A. Lewis Junior, I am excited to share some unknown facts of Joe's life. We are honored to celebrate him and his accomplishments.

In addition, the Chapter has some exciting events in process. Please read all that has been happening over the summer months. Although we did not meet as a Chapter during July and August, there was no slowing down. Please see Mile High Flight updates, recent donor contributions, scholarships and much more.

Also, if you see or speak to James Harvey, Flash Wiley, or Otis Jones congratulate them. All three of our Chapter members have been recognized in different fashion by the Air Force, Air Force Academy, or the Air Force Association in the summer and fall months.

As you receive this newsletter, we hope that you were able to virtually attend the National Convention on September 17-18. There have been many great TAI events and happenings throughout the year.

As we look to the upcoming year, we hope to see you as we start gearing up for the fall.

Blessings,

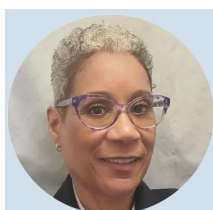
Elizabeth Harper
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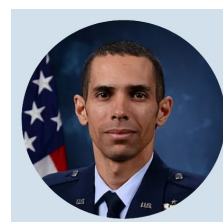
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Mile High Flight Project

Board Happenings
The Scholarship committee
and the Board awarded four
\$1,000
scholarships in the month of
June

Additionally,
University of Colorado
selected a scholarship
recipient for the HLHJ
Endowment Scholarship

And Denver University
selected their recipient for the
HLHJ Endowment
Scholarship

Lt. Colonel Joe A. Lewis



Joe graduated with Tuskegee Class 43F-SE as a 2nd Lieutenant. Shortly after, he transferred overseas into the war zone. He served out of Ramitelli Air Base in Apulia, Italy. Joe flew P-51s with 301st Fighter Squadron.

In 1944 he participated in escort and ground attack missions. In October of the year, on the way back to the base Lts. Joe Lewis and Charles Dunne flew up and down the coast of the Italy shooting at everything they saw.

Both were shot down by enemy flak while attacking enemy ground forces and supply lines. They were captured and held as POWs.

He was held prisoner in Luft Stalag III and Stalag VIIA until liberated by Patton's advancing 3rd Army in April of 1945.

Joe remained a POW for six months.

Following World War II, Joe was stationed at Lowry Air Force Base where he met his wife Elsa Seader. Elsa was from Brighton, Colorado. Together they raised a family of four children and nine grand children.

With the Air Force cutting back on pilots after World War II, Joe was transferred to SAC and became an officer in bomber armaments and electronics. He achieved the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. Joe retired as squadron commander in 1963 out of Shilling Air Force Base, Kansas with 21 years of service.

While on active duty, Joe had many duty stations. He served in Ohio, Washington State, Japan, England, and Kansas.

After military retirement Joe managed a large wholesale warehouse and left to get his real estate license. Joe also proudly served the Denver Police Department on their promotion board.

Joe's military career defined his life. In or out of the Air Force, he was always an

"Officer and a Gentleman."

Family Legacy Story

Joseph Junior shared the story of Joe's favorite saying- The Golden Rule.

As children, when we did something wrong or were fighting, father would tell us to go to a plaque by the front door. He would say, "Read it and come back and tell me what it says."

We all knew it by heart, but we still did as we were told.

The plaque was the golden rule

"Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

Joe Lewis Family Legacy

Beautiful wife

Elsa Seader Lewis

Children

Yvonne M. Lewis

Joseph A. Lewis Jr.

Michael W. Lewis

Anthony M. Lewis

Grandchildren

Jason Golden

Joseph A. Lewis III

Matthew Lewis

Jacob Lewis

Ashley Lewis

Joshua Golden

Sydney Lewis

Christopher Lewis

Austin Lewis



Recognition of Corporate Donors

Amazon Smile

Benevity Funds

BRIC

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CORE Electric Cooperative (formerly IREA)

Denver Foundation

El Pomar

Centennial Airport

General Atomics Sciences Education Foundation

Johnston Family Foundation

PGA of America

Thomas W. Bean Foundation

Vander Meer Family Foundation

Congratulations

Col. Otis Jones

will be inducted into the
United States Air Force Academy Sports Hall of Fame

September 24, 2021

Otis Jones, class of 1995,

Men's Basketball, first three-time first-team all-conference honoree, 2000-point scorer.



Courtesy of the United States Air Force Academy PA Office

Tuskegee Airmen Honored Port Huron Michigan

2nd Lt. Frank Moody died April 11, 1944, when his plane crashed into Lake Huron. Exactly 70 years later the Tuskegee Airman's aircraft was discovered. Diving With Purpose (DWP), and the Department of Natural Resources, among others, offering to assist in this tenuous process. DWP unveiled a memorial statue and hosted a series of events August 26-28, 2021, at the Port Huron Museum to recognize Lt. Moody's heroic efforts and the raising of his airplane.

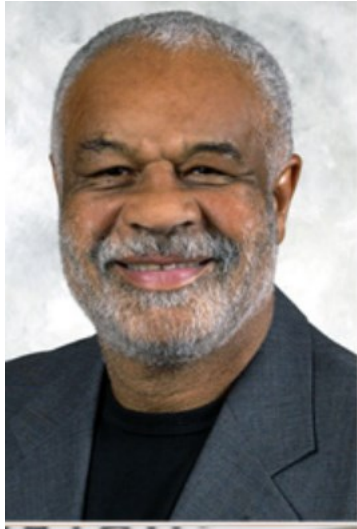
Once raised the P-39Q will be restored and added to the growing museum exhibit at the Tuskegee Airmen National Historical Museum in Detroit.



Tuskegee Airmen Lt. Col. Harry Stewart, Lt. Col. Alexander Jefferson and others pose for photos near the Port Huron monument honoring the Tuskegee Airmen on Aug. 28, 2021. *Bryce Airgood/Times Herald*

USAFA

Distinguished Graduate Award honorees announced Fletcher “Flash” Wiley



Flash is the first African-American recruited to play football at USAFA, Wiley (Boston, Massachusetts) would suffer an injury and eventually become the Falcons' head cheerleader. Wiley later became the first African-American USAFA graduate to earn a Fulbright Scholarship. He left the Air Force as a captain, then pursued his Master's at Harvard's Kennedy School of Business and his law degree from Harvard Law School. He went on to become a prominent leader in the Massachusetts legal, business and civic communities. He has served on the Board of Visitors for both the Academy and Air University.

He is married to his lovely wife Benaree (Bennie) Pratt Wiley. They live in Brookline, Massachusetts. They have two children: a son, Pratt, and a daughter, B.J.



College Football Hall of Fame highlights Air Power Legacy Series Uniform
Tuskegee Airmen Air Power Legacy Uniforms on display at
Chick-Fil-A College Football Hall of Fame.

EVENTS & Presentations

Civil Air Patrol Cadets
September 16, 2021

University of Colorado
School of Education
Scholarship Awards Night
September 17, 2021

Lt. Col. James Harvey III
Presents at TAI National
September 17-18

Colorado Aviation Historical Society
Hall of Fame Induction
Robert Olislager
October 9, 2021
10:30-2:30

Robert and his work at Centennial
Airport have long supported
Hubert L. "Hooks" Jones
and
Mile High Flight

Comcast Educational Webinar
for employees
October (TBD)

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Continuing the Legacy—Aiming High

SAVE THE DATES and Join Us on September 17th and 18th, 2021 as we celebrate the 80th Anniversary of the Tuskegee Airmen Experience. This event will be filled with inspiring opportunities to engage with our courageous Documented Original Tuskegee Airmen, learn more about our exciting Youth Programs, and network with our Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. members, and partner organizations.

Registration levels are below.
Check back soon for upcoming on-line registration portal at tuskegeeairmen.org.

Standard Registration	Virtual Golf Tourney	Virtual Gala
\$99 per individual	\$80 a la carte	\$74 per individual

Red Tail Registration Bundle
\$332 per individual—includes standard registration, golf tourney, gala, and a special gift package.



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Mile High Flight

SOARS

Hakeem, Pelle and Apsan are having a great time in Florida, as they represent MHF in the Air Force's Aim High Flight Academy.



Updates courtesy of Board member and Mile High Flight Project Coordinator—Eric Mosley

The Mile High Flight Success Continues



Marissa Coney

MHF student Marissa Coney just completed her rigorous Phase 2 flight training and soloed!

Of great significance is that Marissa's instructor was our very own MHF graduate Kamia Bradley. Marissa was Kamia's first solo student and she's definitely off to a great start.

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The Tuskegee Airmen Legacy Continues

Lt. Col. Shawna Rochelle Kimbrell (Ret), the Air Force's first African-American female fighter pilot was honored in her home state of Indiana on August 6, 2021. Rochelle has often supported the efforts of the Hubert L. "Hooks" Jones Chapter, so we would like to congratulate her and acknowledge this tremendous honor.



The Indiana Women's Legacy Memorial was designed by Vietnam Veteran Jerry Paul.

It will have three sculptures.

Rosie The Riveter

Lt. Col. Shawna Kimbrell

a Kneeling Female Soldier with a prosthetic limb.



Photos by Kelly Lafferty Gerber Kokomo Tribune and Artist Jerry Paul



!love!laugh!play! - nipabe



Some of you knew Nina Bell. Nina is the youngest daughter of Patricia and Lowell Bell. We paid tribute to Lowell in our last newsletter.

Today we remember and pay tribute to Nina Patrice Bell. Many of you never had the blessing of meeting Pat and Lowell's daughter, Nina. She lost her life 20 years ago on September 11, 2001 in the North Tower of the World Trade Center.

For those of you who knew her well, may you always feel her light! For those of you have never had the privilege, I hope you find inspiration in the words that described her lust for life.

It was said you could always tell that Nina was a fighter pilot's kid. A true Air Force kid who lived life to the fullest.

One friend wrote, "He named his little girl for Nina Bell, that there is still hope in this world. The hope in his child's eyes is where he finds Nina."

Another wrote, "I am looking at the most beautiful sunrise here in NY with wonderful vibrant colors running throughout. Nina had that effect on me.

Whenever she was around it was the feeling of a sunrise, a new beginning filled with hope and beauty. Not too many people are like that." Another coworker wrote, "God has made beautiful things, one of which was you. Nina, I know you are in heaven. You are heaven. A piece of heaven I got lucky to know."

As you look to the heavens, remember Nina. Her beauty and love of life. As her brother Dutch wrote, "Remember Nina's tagline. !love! Laugh!play! - nipabe



Vice Superintendent , Col. Otis Jones escorts Ms. Kiki Homer during US Open's Military Appreciation Day.

Ms. Homer's Brother Le Roy Homer, USAFA Class '87 and Exemplar for the USAFA Class of 2024 was co-pilot of United Flight 93 which was hijacked on 9/11 and crashed near Shanksville, PA.



Tuskegee Airmen of World War II
By
Lt. Col. Clarence Shivers, DOTA
USAFA

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MISSION

Tuskegee Airmen, Inc., Hubert L. "Hooks" Jones Chapter is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to:

Honoring the accomplishments and perpetuating the history of African-Americans who participated in air crew, ground crew and operations support training in the Army Air Corps during WWII.

Introducing young people across the nation to the world of aviation, aerospace, mathematics and science through local programs such as the Mile High Flight Program.

Providing annual scholarships and awards to deserving individuals, groups and corporations whose deeds lend support to the goals of Tuskegee Airmen Inc.

Calendar

October 2, 2021	Board Meeting 11:00 A.M.—Location TBD
October 16, 2021	Chapter Meeting 11:00 A.M.—Wings Over the Rockies
November 6, 2021	Board Meeting 11:00 A.M.—Location TBD
November 20, 2021	Chapter Meeting 11:00 A.M.—Colorado Springs
December	TBD
	Chapter Christmas Party—Denver
National Convention September 16-18, 2021	Virtual

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