



Tuskegee Airmen, Inc.

Buford A. Johnson Chapter Newsletter

January, 2016

January Meeting

Welcome Back! We trust everyone had a wonderful break and enjoyed the holiday season. Our next meeting will occur on this Saturday, January 9th at the Altura Credit Union located at the corner of Graham and Cactus. Start time is 10:00 AM sharp.

2016 Dues

Our dues must be paid and in to National this month. If we do not get our dues in, we will be deemed nonfinancial and any scholarship applications will not be accepted by our Scholarship Foundation. The dues are \$60.00 per year. Checks should be made out to the Buford A. Johnson Chapter, TAI. Each member is required to fill out a new application each year. I will have the applications at the meeting. The national dues and a copy of each application will be submitted to National who will process them and return membership cards to us. Thank you in advance for attending to this matter.

New Officers

Elections were held in October and we have a new Vice-President and Historian. Ms. Marva X is our new vice-president and Mr. Buford A. Johnson is our new historian. Both were sworn in at the November meeting.



Ms. X is sworn in as vice-president.



Mr. Johnson is sworn in as historian. After the meeting, members celebrated with a cake.

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Members enjoyed a cake to celebrate our new officers



Buford and Marva cut into the cake.

**NAACP Event Held at Kansas Avenue
Seventh Day Adventist Church**

Kansas Avenue Seventh Day Adventist Church hosted an event on November 11th to honor members of the Armed Services. Representing the Buford A. Johnson Chapter were President Donald Fleming, Dr. Denise Fleming, Edison T. Marshall, Jr., and Dixie Marshall.



Col. Bill Howe (USAF Ret.) addresses the group



Denise Williams, PhD, listens to the speaker



Honorees pose for a picture
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Col. Howe and Edison Marshall

Lonely Eagles



Walter McCreary
Everett Bratcher
Charles Harvey, Jr.

Opportunities to Participate

With Dr. Martin Luther King Day approaching followed by Black History Month, we will get requests to speak to groups or to talk with students. We already have an invitation to go to a parade in Riverside and to Rancho Cucamonga High school. We have adopted Moreno Valley High School. We will be asked to present awards to ROTC groups in the area. Every year we participate in events honoring veterans at the Kansas Avenue Seventh Day Adventist Church. We distribute scholarship applications to local high schools. We are asked to address civic groups. We attend the Family

Reunion picnic each year. We do outreach to veterans to help them negotiate the benefit system.

Are any of these activities of interest to you? When we go to high schools, all the students want is for you to tell them about your experience in the service or we present a Tuskegee Airmen Award to ROTC students. Maybe you would like to man a booth at the picnic or help decorate the cars for a parade. Would you like to ride in the parade or take pictures for the newsletter? Do you have a talent that we don't know about? Let us know. We will put it to work.

We invite all of you to participate, yet we see the same people all the time. We look forward to seeing all of you at our next event.

Public Relations Officer



Congratulations to Mr. Jackie Jempson who has been appointed to be our new Public Relations officer. Mr. Jempson will coordinate our events and will act as liaison to the media.