



Tuskegee Airmen, Inc.

Buford A. Johnson Chapter Newsletter

April, 2019

April Meeting

Our chapter meeting will be held on Saturday, April 13th at 10:00 AM sharp. We will discuss upcoming events. At this time of year, there are awards ceremonies where we are asked to present Tuskegee Airmen awards and also living history events in need of veterans to share their stories. Looking forward, there are usually events such as parades and the annual African American Family Reunion. Please join us to learn more.

Upcoming Events Rancho Remembers



Former Rancho Remembers event

Rancho Cucamonga High School in Rancho Cucamonga, CA will hold its annual Rancho Remembers event where students speak with veterans as a part of learning through Living History. Books impart some knowledge, but nothing compares with information gained from someone who lived through an experience. The school

will need advance notice if you wish to attend so that they can prepare for you. Please contact Mr. Aaron Bishop at 1-909-989-1600 ext. 2372 to make a reservation. The event will be held on April 25th from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Lunch will be provided. The school is located at 11801 Lark Drive, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91701.

7th Annual Corona High School Veterans Celebration



The Corona High School History Department is hosting its 7th Annual Corona High School Veterans Celebration on Wednesday May 22nd, 2019 beginning at 8:00 AM. This event is in need of veterans. Sadly, several of the elder men and women have passed away through the years, and last year, there were was difficult for them to hear. The school is located at 1150 W. Tenth St., Corona, CA. If you plan to attend, please contact jperry@cnusd.k12.ca.us or call/text him at 951-288-0688. Enter at the back of the school and proceed to the area near the Corona High Auxiliary Gymnasium. You will be picked up in a golf cart and

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driven to the door. Breakfast treats are available. After the interviews, lunch will be served. The staff and the kids are great, and they are appreciative of all veterans, and will be grateful for your presence. Please mark your calendars, and plan to join us.

Arroyo Valley High School JROTC Awards Ceremony



There will be a JROTC award ceremony at Arroyo Valley High School on Tuesday, May 7th in San Bernardino at 5:00 PM. There will be more information available at Saturday's meeting.

Tuskegee Airmen Day

On March 28th, the Los Angeles Chapter of the Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. invited California chapters as well as others from the Western Region to celebrate Tuskegee Airmen Day with them at the Proud Bird. In attendance from the Buford A. Johnson Chapter were Lt. Col. Harlan Leonard and daughter, Jonathan Vaughn, Dessely Hodges, and Bishop Herman Hodges. California declared March 28th to be Tuskegee Airmen Day four years ago. Plans are in the works to have a national Tuskegee Airmen day created in the future.



Lt. Col. Leonard and daughter



Jonathan with Joycelin Tomlin and DOTA