



Tuskegee Airmen, Inc.

Buford A. Johnson Chapter Newsletter

August, 2018

Date and Location of the August Meeting Changed



Our next meeting will not be held at the Altura Credit Union. Instead, we will join with the African American Coalition to attend the annual African American Family Reunion on Saturday, August 25th. We will host a booth there and will have fund raising items for sale. The monies raised will go toward establishing an educational fund to provide some financial assistance for graduating seniors who do not receive the national scholarship.

The event will be held at Towngate Memorial Park. It is scheduled to begin at 10:00 AM. We will need help to set up our pop-up tent and to decorate it. We will need people to sit at the booth and to assist as well. There will be a sign-in sheet to take roll. Please stop by the booth and sign in so we know you are there.

Food and drinks will be available for purchase and there will be many other booths and activities.

For children, there is a play area. Feel free to bring your entire family. If you are not into hotdogs, feel free to pack a lunch. We will have water for members and their families at the booth.



If you are able to help with set-up, please arrive by 8:00 AM and lend a hand. Also, remember to bring your own chairs. We will be handing out informative materials on the Tuskegee Airmen. We will have an interest sheet for those who might want to join us. This counts as our meeting, so we hope to see you there.

September Meeting at Mr. Fleming's Home



We have been invited by our president, Donald Fleming, to attend a barbeque at his home on Saturday, (Continued on page 2)

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22662 Westlake Drive, Moreno Valley, CA. The party will begin at 11:00 AM and continue until.... Family is welcome. The Flemings will provide the barbequed meat and beverages. Members are asked to bring a side dish or dessert to share. Please remember to sign the roll sheet that will be available. This counts for our September meeting.

October Meeting

Our October meeting is scheduled to be back at Altura Credit Union at 10:00 AM. Mr. Jempson will have information about the Salute to Veterans Parade in Riverside this November. We are scheduled to participate in this parade and we would like to see your smiling face.

A Busy Time of Year

Mr. Fleming has reminded us that November is not that far away. Traditionally, November and May are busy times for us. Those wishing to celebrate Veterans' Day and Memorial Day often contact us for speakers. We also get calls in January and February when we celebrate Dr. King's birthday and Black History Month. Those who can contribute by being a speaker should contact Mr. Fleming. We can supply you with information if you need it.



This Time in History

On 31 August 1941, the second class of black aviation cadets arrived in Tuskegee for pre-flight training. They were members of class 42-D. The eleven members of the class included Charles W. Dryden, Clarence C. Jamison, Sidney P. Brooks, William C. Boyd, Benjamin A. Brown, Jr., Earl L. Bundara, Hercules L. Joyner, Emile J. Lewis, Harold E. McClure, Charles H. Moore, and James R. Smith. Only the first three graduated from advanced flight training on April 29, 1942.

Sick Call

Please keep in prayer:

- Please remember our former chaplain Gilbert Williams as he battles cancer.
- Please remember former member Ivan Berry who is facing many health problems and has not been able to join us this year.



We pray that God in His mercy will allow them to return to us.