



Annual Review



**Hubert L. "Hooks" Jones Chapter
Tuskegee Airmen**

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Our Mission

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



Colonel James H. Harvey III

102 Years of Excellence



Colonel James H. Harvey III inspires all he meets. His example of excellence continues to change history. At the age of 102 Colonel Harvey received recognition from the Colorado State Capital and continues to encourage Colorado youth as they pursue aviation careers.



Colonel James H. Harvey III
Hubert L. "Hooks" Jones Chapter's
last living Documented Original
Tuskegee Airman (DOTA) in the
state of Colorado.

Aircraft Donation

HLHJ received a Special In-kind donation from Mr. Fred Lierley

406 ELT



We thank Mr. Lierley for his generous donation of his Piper Lance II aircraft to support the purposes and mission of the Hubert L. "Hook" Jones Chapter Tuskegee Airmen.



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Donors

P-47 Thunderbolt **\$5,000**

Boettcher Foundation
Charles & Sherry Slinger Family Gift Fund Inc.
El Pomar Foundation
Records-Johnston Family Foundation, Inc.
Thomas W. Bean Foundation

P-51 Mustang **\$2,500**

Gabrielle Martin

B-25 Mitchell **\$2,000**

Vander Meer Family Foundation

P-40 Warhawk **\$1,500**

AT-Texan **\$1,000**

Carrie Watts
Fred Lierley
Fred Lierley LLC
Janet Frazier
Joan Pratt
Mark and Phyllis Dickerson
Vorry and Candace Moon



Additional Donors

Top Gun Stearman

\$500/ \$500+

Alex Cole
Archie Doswell
Brett Pomainville
Carol Hunter
Ernie Greene
Glendon Fraser
Jasmine Searuggs
Jaron Roux
Jeff Clark
John Lamb
John Porche
John Thomas
Leslie Hock

Lighthouse Therapy
Loran Smith
Mount Evans Lodge #7
Nancy Rochlitz
Nicole Frazier
Robert Robison
Shari Searuggs
Sharyn Markus
Sister to Sister
The Denver Foundation
Tim and Brenda Johnson
Colorado FOP Lodge 27

Donors

Carolyn Landron
Chere Carbone
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The Convention

Hubert L. "Hooks" Jones Chapter members earn National and Regional Recognition

Brig Gen Noel F. Parrish Award

Gabrielle Martin



Western Regional Award

Gabrielle Martin



Cpt Lemuel Rodney Custis Award

John Frazier



**2025 Tuskegee National Convention
The National WWII Museum**



Success Stories

Announcing Dr. Janita Matoke

Prior HLHJ Scholarship recipient

Passed her last medical board exam

Janita graduated in April



Next Level Flight

Kelsy Palacio

MHFP Phase 2 Solo Flight Graduate Kelsy Palacio earned her wings in 2024, and she's on her way to the next big steps of becoming a professional pilot for a major airline. She recently updated us on her progress. She's now a rising star at Embry Riddle University in Daytona Beach, FL. Kelsy writes: "Hello Mile High Flight "Crew"! I have some wonderful news.... Yesterday I passed my Private Pilot Check ride! Thank you so much for your support and setting me up with a strong foundation. I hope you have an amazing day!"



Bea Miller

We're always looking for opportunities for our students, beyond what we offer through the Mile High Flight Program. While touring the Aims Community College campus, they offered to provide a Discovery flight for one of our students. Bea Miller was quick to take them up on their generous invitation. She writes: "Hey MHF "Crew", this is Bea Miller from MHFP. Here's the picture from my discovery flight. Thanks again for the award that gave me the chance to do this."



Emma Oliver

2025 Mile High Flight Phase 2 Solo Flight grad Emma Oliver speaks to her high school class about her experiences in the program. Emma has chosen to attend Metropolitan State University this Fall and will start earning her qualifications towards becoming a pilot for a major airline.



Cleared for Legacy

Mark Reese

United Airlines B777 First Officer and MHF Phase 2 Solo Flight graduate Mark Reese is pictured here with Captain Glen Roane and First Officer Stephanie Grant just before departing Newark for Europe—an inspiring moment that reflects how far his journey in aviation has taken him.



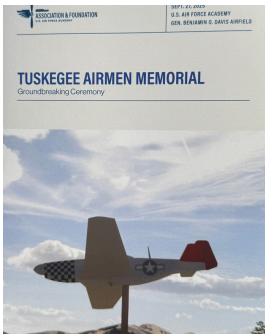
Sariena Corvid

Sareina Corvid embodies the Tuskegee Airmen's "Rise Above" Principles. She writes: "Hello MHF "Crew." I just finished training at my new role working for Denver International Airport. I am an Airport Operations Representative, where I work closely with Airport Emergency Dispatchers, Emergency Managers, Airfield and Terminal Operations, Airport Security, Maintenance control, TSA, Ramp Tower and the FAA tower, to assist with normal and irregular operations that occur at the Airport."



Events

The Hubert L. "Hooks" Jones Chapter participated in over 30 community events throughout the 2025-2026 school year. Events included categories listed below and on the next page.



Projects



Legacy Events



Essay Contest



Reinactments



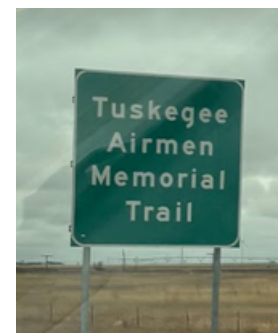
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Museums



Education



**Around
Colorado**

Events

Hubert L. "Hooks" Jones is always happy to share our mission with your school, museum, community organization and/or business. Please reach out to our website for more information.

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Schools



Scholarships



Community



Aviation



Military



BX/PX



JROTC



Golf

Mile High Flight

Our mission is to introduce motivated youth, to the unlimited possibilities available to them in technical career fields. The Mile High Flight program is sponsored by the (Denver) Hubert L. "Hooks" Jones Chapter of the Tuskegee Airmen, and we proudly share the history of these WWII heroes as well. Beyond our focus on aviation, aerospace and STEM, we help each student recognize that through hard work and a good "flight plan", nothing is beyond their reach!

Our dedicated "Crew" of Mile High Flight volunteers and associates have a collective experience of literally hundreds of years in civilian and military aviation / aerospace career fields. Each of us understands that we all stand on the shoulders of those who came before. We share a passion for paying that gift forward, through our experience, encouragement and highest expectations that each of our students can reach their fullest potential.

Discipline
Self-Motivation
A Winning Attitude
Curiosity
Pride in Achievement
Goal Setting

2024 - 2025 Survey Results: Of those who responded to the question "As a result of participating in the MHFP..."

- 100% very likely will attend university, college or trade school
- 66% very likely will pursue aviation careers
- 66% very likely will pursue STEM related careers
- 66% likely and 33% very likely to earn their Private Pilot's Licenses



Mile High Flight

Captain Eric Mosley (ret) and his team at Mile High Flight celebrate 30 years of excellence. Eric and his team follow in the steps of Eric's father Documented Original Tuskegee Airman Lt. Colonel William Mosley who, along with fellow aviators, began the infamous Swoop Club of Denver. They, too, entertained the world with their aviation skills and started the legacy of encouraging and teaching Denver youth in the world of aviation. Today the Mile High Flight Team carries on this exceptional aviation program.

2000⁺

**Phase 1 students
over the 30 years**

72

**Phase 2 students
(or other flight
scholarships)
arranged by MHF
over 30 years**

With an average
(conservative) cost of
\$5000 per student, we've
awarded over \$360,000 in
flight scholarships in
over 30 years.

**\$360
THOUSAND**

**MHF Phase 1 students
2025-2026 year**

60

2

**Students selected for
Phase 2
2025-2026**



Scholarships

\$10,000

Hubert L. "Hooks" Jones
Academic Scholarships

**University
of
Denver
Endowment**

\$1000

PTEC Trades Scholarship

**University
of
Colorado
Endowment**

2

**TAI National
Academic
Scholarships**





Essay Contest

Each year the Hubert L. "Hooks" Jones Chapter Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. holds an essay contest for all JROTC programs in the state of Colorado to celebrate Tuskegee Commemoration Day. Tuskegee Commemoration Day in Colorado is recognized on the fourth Thursday in March.



Falcon High School JROTC
Cadet Rafael Villegas

\$600



Mitchel High School JROTC
Cadet Kamora Robinson
Cadet Destinee Ivory

\$400



Air Academy School JROTC
Cadet Brielle Manke

\$500



Vista Ridge High School JROTC
Cadet Brayden Cutshall

\$400



Tuskegee Airmen Memorial

The United States Air Force Academy and the Hubert L. "Hooks" Jones Chapter Tuskegee Airmen celebrated at the groundbreaking of the new Tuskegee Memorial being built at the entrance of the General Benjamin O. Davis Airfield.

This is an initiative of the Association of Graduates and the Air Force Foundation.

The memorial will be a lasting display sharing the legacy of the Tuskegee Airmen.



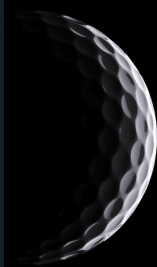
The United States Air Force Academy and the Hubert L. "Hooks" Jones Chapter Tusgee Airmen celebrated the wreath laying and rededication of the Tusgee Airman Statue. The Statue was designed and created by DOTA Clarence Shivers.

This year the statue was moved to the Air Garden of the Academy grounds. Now the statue will be viewed daily by all cadets as they line up for meals and cross the terrazzo.

Statue Rededication Since 1988



Golf Tournament



The 4th Annual "Top Gun" Golf Tournament proved a success. The Chapter raised money for the scholarship programs.

4th Annual Tuskegee "Top Gun"

Memorials

Minnie Ray Hunter
DOTA Spouse of Samuel Hunter



Darryl Searuggs
United States Air Force
FedEx
Mile High Flight



Dewey Hicks
United States Marines,
Air National Guard
Golf Tournament Chair



Books

The Chapter participated in a number of events related to the three published titles released by HLHJ Chapter members.

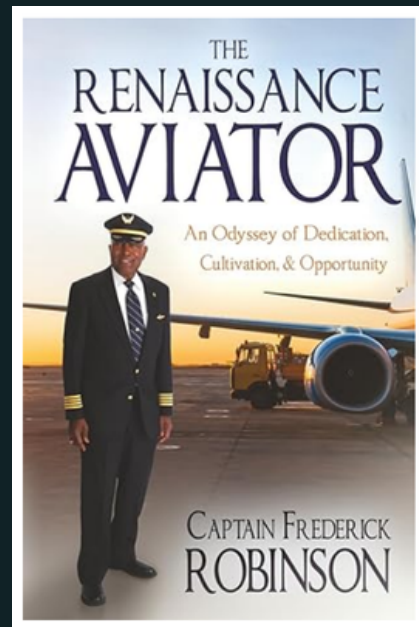
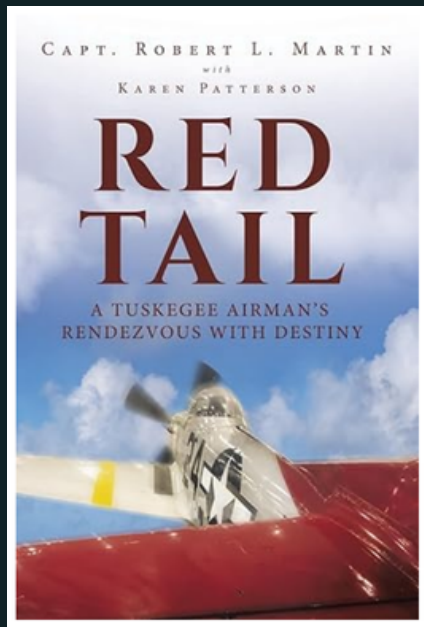
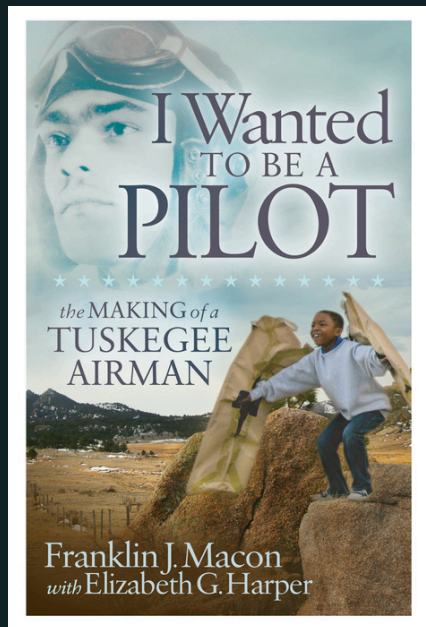
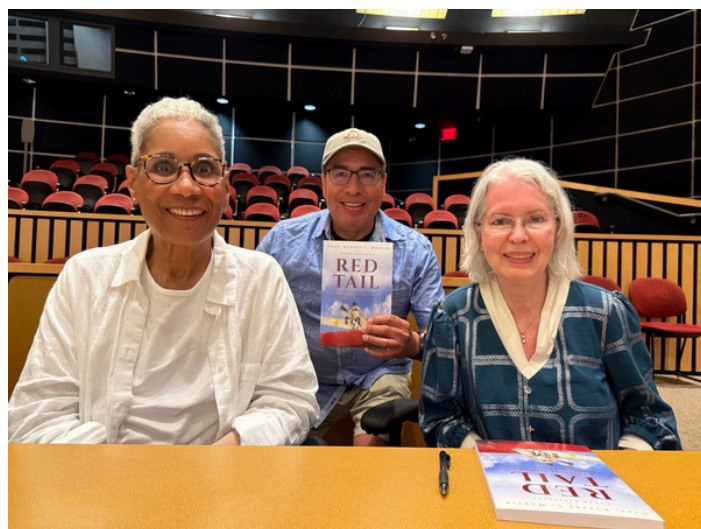
President Gabrielle Martin and Karen Patterson, author of ***Red Tail: A Tuskegee Airman's Rendezvous with Destiny***, the story of Captain Robert L. Martin, Gabrielle's father were featured at EAA AirVenture 2025 the largest aviation event in the world. The book about her father's life was featured in the author's corner for 2025.

704,000 attendees

10,000 aircraft

16, 246 aircraft operations

1,500 forums and workshops on aviation topics



Colorado Locations

Pioneer Museum
Wings Over the Rockies - Lowry
United States Air Force Academy
United States Academy Cemetery
Peterson SFB Museum
Colorado State Capitol
Pueblo Weisbrod Aviation Museum
National World War II Aviation Museum

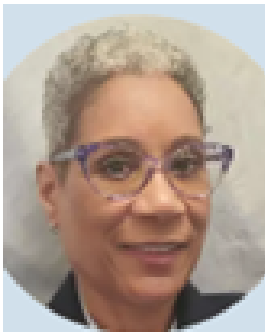
CSU Hall of Fame
Lt Col Mosley VA
I-70 Tuskegee Airmen Memorial Trail
Blair -Caldwell Library
Wings Over the Rockies - Centennial
James E. Harrison Park

The State of Colorado is proud of the Tuskegee Airmen History. We encourage you to take friends and family to visit the many locations around the state.



Our Team

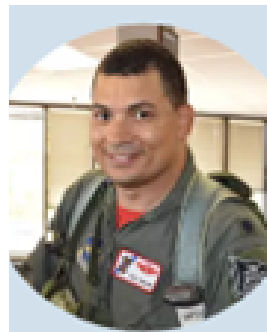
The Hubert L. "Hooks" Jones Chapter Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. Board members are highly dedicated to the mission. The Board along with members continue to share the history and ensure the Tuskegee Airmen Legacy.



**Gabrielle
Martin**
PRESIDENT



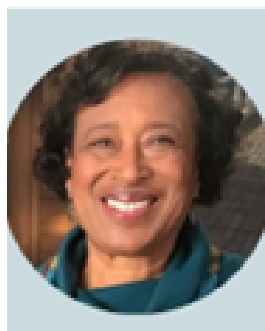
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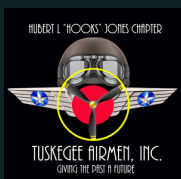
Thank You

Your generosity has contributed to our successes this year. The Tuskegee Airmen were not only a group of outstanding aviators. They were men and women who trained as navigators, bombardiers, mechanics, medics, gunnery crews, and engineers from 1941-1949 at Tuskegee University' Moton Field.

Their skills in the world of aviation have made them famous, but it is their character, determination, bravery, and resolve that make them exceptional role models for today's youth.

Through community support and individual contributions, the Chapter continues to share this tremendous legacy and support Colorado youth.

Gabrielle Martin



**Hubert L. "Hooks"
Jones Chapter**

**Aim High
Believe in
Yourself
Use Your Brain
Be Ready to Go
Never Quit
Expect to Win**



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