



NBCFAE – Washington Headquarters

May 2010

Letter from the President

So much has happened since the last time we talked. Let me bring you up to date. I must express my appreciation to the Washington Headquarters NBCFAE Black History Month committee for all of their hard work in presenting three major events this year. Thank you for your support on the Scholarship Luncheon we had a record turn out. It was good to see so many past Washington Headquarters presidents in attendance. It took a lot of hours and behind the scenes effort to have a successful program. We appreciate our committee leader Phyllis Seward for keeping us on track. We are still getting positive comments on the Harriet Tubman Reenactment.

We are calling for all volunteers! Washington Headquarters NBCFAE is again supporting the Aviation Week at Potomac Airfield, May 12, 2010. We are expecting 8,000 students this year. Last year many of the students had not seen an airplane up close before. We would like to impress these students to become future aviators. Washington Headquarters is sponsoring 10 buses so 10 schools may attend.

We will have our Regional training conference again in June 2010. We had tremendous support last year and hope to have another great turn out this year. Save the date. Please send me your suggestions on courses you want to attend.

The application period for the Washington Headquarters NBCFAE Scholarship closes on May 12, 2010. We will add one new scholarship to our list this year. Stay tune for the announcement of the Scholarship Awards Ceremony in July 2010. If you know of past Scholarship recipients please encourage them to call us about coming back to the ceremony to share their experiences.

Your Washington Headquarters NBCFAE is again sponsoring members to attend the NBCFAE National Training Conference in Indianapolis, IN September 14 – 18, 2010. Let us know if you want to attend.

Our next membership meeting is June 1, 2010. Make a commitment to attend these meetings on a regular basis to be informed and involved, and bring a fellow member or guest who may want to join. I promise not to keep you long.

In Unity,

Margarete Henson Berrios,

President, Washington Headquarters Region NBCFAE



FAA Administrator Randy Babbitt and Headquarters NBCFAE President Margarete Berrios have an opportunity to connect in March.

Let's Go Up To The 21st Century

Headquarters Region has been working with and financially assisting this organization for several years. The message below was received from former Washington Center controller, and mentor for many NBCFAE members, Rick Jones.

On behalf of Let's Go Up to the 21st Century Inc., I would like to thank you and the National Black Coalition of FAA Employees (NBCFAE) Headquarters Region, for your most generous donation of \$1000.00 for our Aviation Summer Camp Program. We would like to extend an invitation for you or any of your representatives to attend.

Also we will send you pictures of some of the campers and the activities that they will be engaged in.

Richard C. Jones

President, Let's Go Up to the 21st Century Inc.

Monthly Meeting Telcons

Our monthly membership meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month, unless notified otherwise. **For your convenience, on June 1st and July 6th, you can dial in from noon till 1pm: 202.493.4180 pass code 6592.**

NBCFAE Headquarters Officers

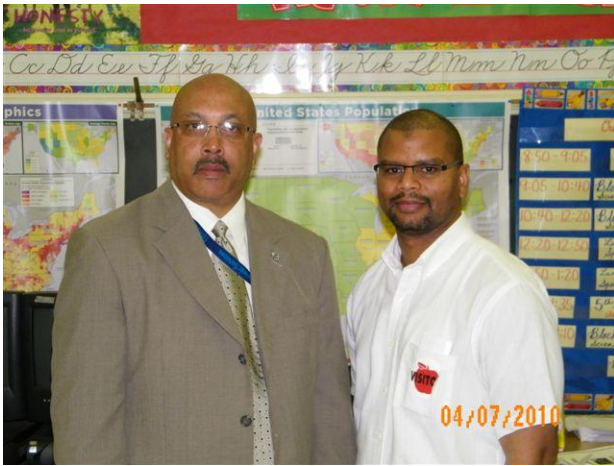
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HQ Outreach – Educational Activities

The Headquarters Region of the NBCFAE continues to provide aviation education to our Adopted School, Samuel Chase Elementary in Temple Hills, MD. On April 7, Andrews, AFB controller, Russell West and NBCFAE member, Purvis Collier visited the school and shared aviation related topics with the students. They showed a video to the students on the process it takes for an aircraft to travel through the air traffic system. In addition the students played Aviation Bingo and worked a Career Word Scramble. Approximately 170 students were able to take part in the activities. The Coalition visits the school quarterly with different aviation topics and activities. If anyone is interested in volunteering the 2010-2011 school year please contact Norma Ely at norma.ely@faa.gov.



Headquarters member Purvis Collier and Andrews Tower controller, Russell West, at Chase Elementary School in Temple Hills, Md.



In Memoriam

Headquarters remembers **Tuskegee Airman Spann Watson**, who passed away on April 13, 2010 at the age of 93. Spann was an employee of the Federal Aviation Administration, finishing his tenure at Headquarters. If you Google Spann on the internet, you will enjoy reading many articles on his life.

Headquarters Annual Scholarship Luncheon



Former Secretary of Transportation, Rodney Slater and Headquarters Members the Black History Month Committee and Phyllis Seaward not shown

Headquarters Region concluded Black History Month with our annual scholarship luncheon on February 23, 2010. The sold out event raised money to add to our scholarship fund. We plan to award ten \$1,400 and 3 \$1,700scholarships this year!

Membership Drive

Headquarters is looking for new members to help us continue our work throughout 2010 and into the future. We will have a membership recruitment drive, August 5, 2010, 5pm, at Vie De France. Contact Deames Bynum or any member for details.

NBCFAE Mission Statement

We the members of the National Black Coalition of Federal Aviation Employees will promote equal opportunity for African-Americans, other minorities, and female FAA employees, improve employee-management relations, and provide an effective liaison among the FAA employees, management and the community at large.