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TUSKEGEE AIRMEN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



**Jerry T. Hodges Jr.
President**

The Tuskegee Airmen Scholarship Foundation (TASF) is on the move.

On behalf of the TASF Board of Directors, I would like to thank each of you for your continued support.

The Scholarship Selection Committee, comprised of volunteers, under the leadership of Ms. Jacqueline Ray-Morris, performed superbly. The committee reviewed 97 applications submitted by TAI, Inc. chapters and recommended 41 students to receive \$1,500 scholarships and one student for the \$20,000 Pratt Whitney Golden Eagle Scholarship.

In addition, TASF strengthened its partnership with the University of Phoenix and is currently offering five full-tuition scholarships for students to attend a University of Phoenix campus or online. Deadline for the applications is July 31, 2009.

The year 2008 marked the first time that TASF participated in the Combined Federal Campaign. As of June 5th, we had received \$77,945.62 in pledges from federal employees. TASF is approved as a participant in the 2009/2010 campaign. We are working hard to improve our marketing efforts with a goal of \$125,000 in pledges for the upcoming campaign.

During these tough economic times, TASF really needs your help. Your donations and contributions allow us to continue to assist college bound students to achieve their educational dreams. Please consider making a donation on-line at www.taisf.org/donations or by mail.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

Jerry T. Hodges Jr.
President

TASF BOARD MEMBER JOINS LONELY EAGLES



**Roger "Bill" Terry
Director (DOTA)**

2nd Lt., Class 44-K-TE



Roger (Bill) Terry joined the Lonely Eagles on Thursday, June 11, 2009.

Bill suffered a heart attack on Sunday, May 31st after returning home from church. Bill Terry was a long standing active board member of the Tuskegee Airmen Scholarship Foundation. He also served on the Board of Directors of the Los Angeles Chapter of Tuskegee Airmen, Inc.. Terry was a former National President of Tuskegee Airmen, Inc..

Roger C. Terry graduated from UCLA at the age of 19, before the war started. He entered military service in 1941 and graduated in Class 44-K-TE on February 1, 1945 as a 2nd LT. After graduation he was sent to... *continued on page 2*

TUSKEGEE AIRMEN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION (TASF) AND UNIVERSITY OF PHOENIX ANNOUNCES NEW SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Tuskegee Airmen Scholarship Foundation has partnered with University of Phoenix to establish the Tuskegee Airmen Scholarship Foundation/University of Phoenix Scholarship. The purpose of the scholarship program is to provide educational opportunities to disadvantaged students in pursuit of their academic studies.

Five full-tuition scholarships will be awarded to students seeking an associate's or bachelor's degree online or at a University of Phoenix campus. The scholarships will cover tuition and fees (including University of Phoenix online textbooks). Each scholarship award is a non-cash credit to the recipient's University of Phoenix account. *continued on page 2*

www.taisf.org

Visit the website for scholarship information, how to donate on-line, other ways to help, and more!

TUSKEGEE AIRMEN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

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2009 TASF SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Talal Akbar	Rabecca Lane
Katrina Andrews	Jordan Lewis
Justin Asuncion	Jiayn Liang
Joyya Baines	Cale Maurice
Kendre Barnes	Jordan McIntyre
Hansol Bang	Shanicee McKoy
Ilesha Burns	Alex Mullins
Elaine Brinckerhoff	Andrea Navarre
Sydne Campbell	Sameuel Oh
Bianca Centeno	Luaren Park
Ravan Charles	Morgan Posey
Michael Davis	Christina Rasch
Andrew Davis	Shirlacia Richardson
Joshua Harshaw	Rebekah Rodgers
Kai He	Dominique Sauls
Nancy Hernandez	Jennai Singleton
Jabrael Hill	Elizabeth Smith
Megan Henderson	Michelle Spears
Cheri Jacobs	Sierra Watson
Alex Jensen	James Webster
Mustafa Iqbal	Charles Williams

The Pratt & Whitney \$20,000 "Golden Eagle Scholarship" recipient will be selected from among the listed grantees.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

TASF needs volunteers. We are increasing our Circle of Friends and we're looking for volunteers to spearhead our fundraising activities, marketing efforts, work place giving coordination, and events planning. If you have expertise in any of these areas or if you're looking for a new challenge, we would like to hear from you. Please call us at (310) 215-3985.

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STUDENT UPDATE



Tulani Watkins
University of Southern California

Bachelor of Science, Business Administration
Senior Concentration: Entrepreneurship
Class of 2009

Four years ago you made an investment in me by presenting me with a scholarship. The road was made easier because of your financial support. Even more importantly, you placed your confidence in me.

As I received my diploma Friday, May 15, 2009, I reflected on those who assisted me through my educational journey. As I search for my place in the corporate world, I will always remember your faith and confidence in me.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

The 2009 TAI Convention will be held August 6 – 9
at the Palace Station Hotel in Las Vegas, NV
For more information visit www.tuskegeeairmen.org

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Godman Field, Kentucky and later to Freeman Field, Indiana. On April 5, 1945, while at Freeman Field, members of the 447th Bombardment Group attempted to integrate the all-white officer's club and was arrested. Terry was court-martialed and convicted of the charge of jostling. After the military, Terry received his law degree from Southwestern Law School. In 1995, President Clinton pardoned Terry through the Secretary of the Air Force.

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These scholarships are directed toward students who graduated from high school since 2007 and may be used for an undergraduate degree program of the student's choice. Application forms and instructions may be obtained from the Tuskegee Airmen Scholarship Foundation's website (www.taisf.org). The application process includes a two page essay and letter of recommendation from a community leader. The deadline for applications is July 31, 2009. The scholarships will be awarded on September 1, 2009.