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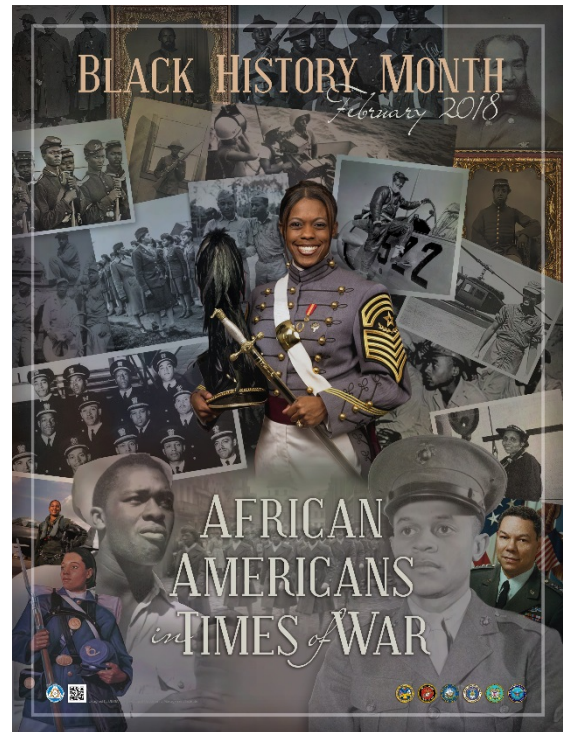
DEOMI RELEASES 2018 NATIONAL AFRICAN AMERICAN/BLACK HISTORY MONTH OBSERVANCE POSTER

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PATRICK AIR FORCE BASE, Fla. – In observance of African American/Black History Month, celebrated each year during the month of February, the Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute (DEOMI) proudly announces the availability of original artwork available for download from www.deomi.org

The theme for 2018, as provided by the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH), is “African Americans in Times of War.”

This year’s theme commemorates the centennial of the end of the First World War in 1918, and highlights the service and sacrifice of African Americans during wartime from the Revolutionary War to present.



The DEOMI graphics team wanted to capture some of the wartime sacrifices and milestones of African Americans in our nation’s history. Featured on this poster are individuals who honorably served their country -- some of whom made the ultimate sacrifice in defending this great nation.

Click the “download” link below the thumbnail image of the poster on our website and download it to your computer. You may then take it to your preferred printing facility for display in your organization or use during your special observance programs. All DEOMI special observance poster images are high resolution and may be used to print posters up to 30 X 40 inches. DEOMI does not maintain a capability to print posters and mail them out to customers.

From top left to right:

1. Officers of Famous [African American] Regiment arriving home from “France.”
2. Unidentified African American Soldier in Union infantry sergeant's uniform and black mourning ribbon with bayonet in front of painted backdrop.
3. Buffalo Soldier Cavalry Troopers.

4. Unidentified Civil War veteran.
5. Co. E, 4th U.S. Colored Infantry at Fort Lincoln, Washington, D.C.
6. Unidentified African American Soldier in uniform and helmet with rifle.
7. Navy African Americans during World War II.
8. Unidentified African American Soldier in Union uniform.
9. African Americans during World War II.
10. Battalion Commander Maj. Charity Adams and Executive Officer Capt. Abbie Noel Campbell inspect the first Soldiers of the 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion to arrive in England, February 15, 1945.
11. African Americans during World War II.
12. Capt. Benjamin Oliver Davis, Jr., of Washington D.C., climbing into an Advanced Trainer. Tuskegee, Alabama. January 1942.
13. 2nd Lt. Marcella Hayes, first Black female pilot in the U.S. Armed Forces.
14. The Golden Thirteen were the first African American men selected as officers in the Navy during World War II.
15. Center: Emily Jazmin Tatum Perez (19 February 1983 – 12 September 2006) became the first minority female Cadet Command Sergeant Major at the United States Military Academy at West Point. The second lieutenant was buried at West Point as the first female graduate of West Point to die in Iraq. Perez, a platoon leader, was killed while patrolling southern Iraq near Najaf on Sept. 12, 2006, when a roadside bomb exploded under her Humvee.
16. African Americans during World War II.
17. Maj. Shawna Kimbrell, first Air Force Black female fighter pilot.
18. Coast Guardsman Marvin Sanders, Fireman 1st Class, in the Southwest Pacific.
19. African Americans during World War II.
20. Howard P. Perry was the first African American to enlist in the first U.S. Marine Corps' class of 1,200 Black volunteers, 1942.
21. Olivia Juliette Hooker, the first African American woman to wear a Coast Guard uniform.
22. Gen. Colin L. Powell 1989: first Black Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.
23. Cathay Williams 1866: first Black female to enlist in the Army.

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