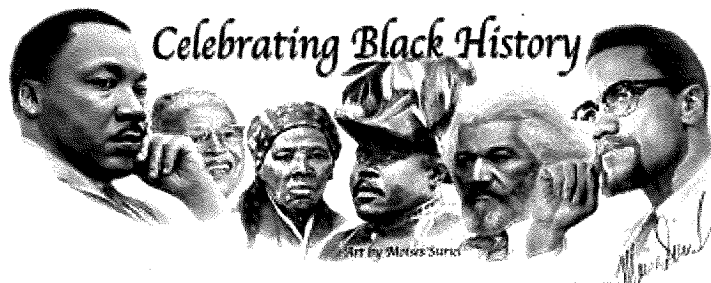


# 19<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL BLACK HISTORY MONTH PROGRAM



## "Reaffirming Our Diverse Culture"

Thursday, February 25th, 2021  
Metro Council Chambers  
1:30 P.M.

*Sponsored by:*

Louisville Metro Council Community Affairs, Health & Education  
Dr. Barbara E. Shanklin, Chairperson (District 2)  
Kevin Triplett Vice Chairperson (District 15)

## Program

Honoring the Organization of Black Aerospace Professionals

**Welcome/Opening Remarks:**

Councilman David James  
Metro Council President

**Comments from OBAP/Shawnee ACE Academy Founders:**

UPS Captain (Retired) Larry Parker  
Keith Buckner, FAA Air Traffic Controller  
UPS Captain (Retired) Ray Thomas

**OBAP Slide Presentation:** Captain Raymond Robinson

**Videos from former ACE Academy students:**

Joseph Jewell  
Che Jackson-Kansas State University  
President & Founder of Kansas State Chapter-OBAP  
Dominique Leonard-Curry  
Jonathan Goldsberry  
Jordan Dorsey  
Jordan Barnes  
Bilal Soodoo  
Mikel Jordan

**Questions & Answer Session**

**Closing Remarks:** Councilwoman Dr. Barbara E. Shanklin  
Metro Council District 2

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### **Honoring the Organization of Black Aerospace Professionals**

*The Metro Council's Community Affairs, Health, and Education Committee's 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Black History Program honors an outstanding group focused on providing opportunities to minority youth, the Organization of Black Aerospace Professionals; and, its work with Aerospace Career Education "ACE" Academy at Shawnee High School.*

*Founded in 1976, the Organization of Black Aerospace Professionals is a national nonprofit organization dedicated to the encouragement and advancement of minorities in all aviation and aerospace careers. OBAP members encourage diversity in the industry by supporting aspiring aviation professionals through Project Aerospace, a series of scholarships, mentoring, training, and youth-focused education programs.*

*In Louisville, numerous UPS Airline employees involved with OBAP have worked with the Aerospace Career Education "ACE" Academy at Shawnee High School for almost 30 years. UPS employees have put great effort into helping youth in the community discover an interest in the aviation industry. The group has had a major impact on minority students and their education by showing opportunity in the aviation and aerospace fields, resulting in some past alumni working and flying for UPS.*

*"UPS is proud to have so many UPS employees involved with OBAP and the "ACE" Academy at Shawnee High School," said Capt. Houston Mills, Vice President of UPS Airlines Flight Operations & Safety. "Building a diverse pipeline with future aviators is critical to not only UPS, but the entire aviation industry as a whole and these volunteers should be celebrated for their efforts."*

### **The Organization of Black Aerospace Professionals**

#### **Founder's**

*Capt Larry Parker (UPS Retiree)  
Keith Buckner  
Capt Ray Washington (UPS Retiree)*

#### **Volunteers**

*Capt Norman Seawright Jr (Current UPS)  
Capt Houston Mills Jr (Current UPS)  
Capt Raymond Robinson IV (Current UPS)  
Capt Jeffery Harrison (Current UPS)  
Brelis Spiller  
Pamala Bryant  
Lynette Hurm  
Carolyn Warren  
First Officer Bill Murphy (Current UPS)  
First Officer Diane Morris  
Capt Edward Horne (UPS Retiree)  
Capt Rodney Daisey (Current UPS)  
William Dixon Jones  
Kristena Cook  
Dr John Huggins  
Dr Geneva Stark-Pittman  
Stacie Linn (Current UPS)  
Sharnika Glenn (Current UPS)  
Cinkle Lee (UPS Retiree)  
Mikel Jordan  
Peter Miller  
Laura Benson-Jones  
Laronda Lowery (Current UPS)  
Capt Kent Aycock (Current UPS)  
First Officer Chayce Baldwin (Current UPS)  
Capt Derrick Dixon (Current UPS)  
Capt Vernon Addison (UPS Retiree)  
M. Lou Seawright  
Capt Mark Soodoo (UPS Retiree)*