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MEDIA A D V I S O R Y

- What:** Saratoga County Honor Deceased Veterans Ceremony honoring Tuskegee Airman Clarence Dart of Saratoga Springs
- When:** **Tuesday, March 21, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.**
- Who:** Saratoga County Board of Supervisors; Saratoga County District Attorney Karen Heggen; Saratoga County Clerk Craig A. Hayner; representatives from the offices of Congressman Paul Tonko, NYS Senator Jim Tedisco, NYS Assemblymember Carrie Woerner; and members of the Dart Family
- Where:** Saratoga County Office Building, 40 McMaster Street, Ballston Spa, NY 12020

Notes:

Members of the public and media are invited and encouraged to attend.

As one of the now famous Tuskegee Airman flying P-40s with the 318th Army Air Force Unit Squadron F, Dart flew 95 missions and was shot down twice. He later flew P-51s escorting 15th Air Force bombers. Dart was discharged from active duty at the rank of Captain on January 3, 1947. He went on to serve in the NY Air National Guard and retired at the rank of Lt. Colonel.

During World War II, the Tuskegee Airmen were a special group of airmen who volunteered to become America's first Black military aviators, paving the way for desegregation in the U.S. military.

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