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Former NASA Astronaut Winston Scott to Speak on September 8

New Branch of National African American History Group Presents Founder's Day Event

ORLANDO, Fla. – Aug. 14, 2017 – A new Central Florida branch of the National Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH, Inc.) announces its upcoming Founder's Day Celebration at Valencia College on Sept. 8, 2017, in partnership with Valencia College's African Heritage Committee (VAHC).

Founded in 1915 by Dr. Carter G. Woodson, ASALH is dedicated to continuing his mission of promoting, researching, preserving, interpreting, and disseminating information about black life, history, and culture to the global community.

The Central Florida branch will serve Orange, Brevard, Lake, Osceola, Polk and Seminole counties. It is named in memory of the late Dorothy Turner Johnson, a longtime librarian who inspired many others with her love of learning.

Capt. Winston E. Scott, a former NASA astronaut, will be the keynote speaker at the September 8 program, which will also include a panel discussion titled "The Crisis in the Black Education/American Education: The Reality of Shifting Paradigms and Future Career Opportunities in STEM."

For more information, please contact the Association for the Study of African American Life and History Central Florida branch at asalhcentralfl@gmail.com.

To learn more about the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH, Inc.), visit the nonprofit organization's website at www.asalh.org

What: Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALH), Central Florida, Dorothy Turner Johnson Branch – Founder's Day Celebration

Date: Friday, Sept. 8, 2017

Time: 5 - 8 p.m.

Location: West Campus, Building (1) HSB, RM-105

The event is free and open to the public.