



SPANGDAHLEM

52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs

NEWS RELEASE

Points of Contact:

52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office
Spangdahlem Air Base, Germany, 09126
0656561-6012
DSN: 452-6012

Feb. 16, 2006
Release # 02-01-06

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

GERMAN, AMERICAN WORLD WAR II PILOTS MEET AT SPANGDAHLEM

SPANGDAHLEM AIR BASE, Germany – Three U.S. Army Air Corps and four German Luftwaffe WWII veterans are scheduled to participate in an open discussion forum here, Feb. 24, at 9 a.m.

The pilots will conduct a professional development forum with Airmen and civilian personnel assigned to the 52nd Fighter Wing. The purpose of the forum is to discuss their experiences and engagements in the Mediterranean and European Theaters of Operation as well as their personal insights into the historical events of WWII. The pilot's presentations will be followed by a question and answer session with the audience.

The three Army Air Corps pilots are members of the Tuskegee Airmen who made history during World War II when they entered an experimental U.S. Army Air Corps program at Alabama's Tuskegee Institute and nearby Tuskegee Army Airfield to train as pilots, navigators, bombardiers and supporting ground crews. They are visiting here during the week of February 20th to mentor Airmen across the base and to share their stories about battling discrimination during their WWII service.

--30--

MEDIA ADVISORY: Members of the media wishing to cover this event must RSVP with the 52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office at 52fw.paoffice@spangdahlem.af.mil or +49 (0) 656561-6012 no later than 5 p.m. CET, Feb. 22. More information about this event can be obtained from the points of contact above.

WEB RESOURCES:

Spangdahlem Air Base: www.spangdahlem.af.mil

Tuskegee Airmen: tuskegeearmen.org