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### ***A Pilot Lights the Way* exhibit to open at Sanford Museum**

The Sanford Museum and the Sanford Historical Society will host an open house at the Museum on **Saturday, November 3, 2012 from 1:00 to 4:00PM** to celebrate the opening of the travelling exhibit *A Pilot Lights the Way* and to honor the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the commissioning of Naval Air Station Sanford on November 3, 1942.

Curated by Valada Parker Flewellyn and featuring artwork by Carl Raphael Purdy, *A Pilot Lights the Way* focuses on the career of the United States Navy's first African American fighter pilot, Jesse Leroy Brown. Brown was killed when his plane crashed during a mission in Korea in December 1950. His squadron, VF-32, was a stationed at Naval Air Station Sanford after the Korean War.

The exhibit has toured the country as part of the Centennial of Naval Aviation. It was last displayed at the National Naval Aviation Museum in Pensacola.

*A Pilot Lights the Way* will remain at the museum through December 28, 2012.

The Sanford Museum's hours are Tuesday –Friday 11:00AM-4:00PM and Saturday 1:00-4:00PM. Admission is free. For information about the exhibit, please contact the Sanford Museum at [sanfordmuseum@sanfordfl.gov](mailto:sanfordmuseum@sanfordfl.gov) or 407-688-5198.

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