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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hello to all from Dayton OH! I can't believe it's already time for our end-of-year newsletter. As we make preparations for the holidays, I'm pleased to reflect back on our activities for the second half of the year.

We had our usual set of outings: Alumni Picnic, Scholarship Golf, and Alumni "Hack 'n Whack" Golf. About 55 picnickers gathered at the Kittyhawk Pavilion on June 21 to partake of the fine food from Smokin' Joe's BBQ. I filled in as the picnic organizer since Jimmy Caldwell was on vacation for this event, and we got off to a rocky start when we realized we forgot the drinks and ice! We quickly corrected this oversight, and the lesson learned was to make sure Jimmy is present and in charge of all future picnics. © Regardless, everyone enjoyed the great weather and company.

The Scholarship Golf and Alumni "Hack 'n Whack" Golf occurred on September 10 and September 17, respectively. The wonderful weather ensured a capacity crowd for the Scholarship Golf event. As a result, we will be able to award \$6000 for the 2009 Arcier Scholarship Program. Wayne Wolfe, Les Mosher, and John Crispino did an outstanding job with organizing and conducting the event. Our heartfelt thanks also go to all participants and sponsors for their generous support of this worthy program. The Alumni "Hack 'n Whack" Golf took place a week later. This event has always been relatively low key and informal, and Jimmy Caldwell took good care of the golfers who came together for this outing. Next year, the Scholarship Golf will take place on September 16 at the Prairie Trace course, with the Alumni "Hack 'n Whack" scheduled for the following Wednesday.

The Alumni Association finished the year with another stellar Annual Meeting on October 3. Approximately 80 people attended and contributed to the success of this event. The meeting agenda included a presentation and Q&A session with the new NASIC Commander, Colonel Scott George, plus a quick tour of NASIC's newly-constructed Intelligence Production Complex (IPC). (Continued on Page 2)

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This tour was not as in-depth as the full-blown walk-through some of us experienced at the IPC ribbon-cutting ceremony in May, but it did provide a glimpse of the high-tech tools and capabilities. During the business portion of the meeting, we clarified the eligibility criteria for the Arcier Scholarship program (limited to children or grandchildren of current or former NASIC employees). We also solicited recommended topics for future Annual Meetings and will focus on a Foreign Materiel Exploitation-related agenda for 2009.

We elected a new Vice President for Membership, Jim Smith, who will succeed Tom Persing after an outstanding five years in this post. Although Tom is stepping down from this position, he and Pauline will continue to participate in our events and will help out as needed. We welcome Jim to the leadership fold and look forward to the new ideas that he will bring to the table.

Elsewhere in this newsletter, we are once again providing the forms needed to apply for the 2009 Arcier Scholarship and to nominate someone for the NASIC Wall of Honor. The Arcier Scholarship deadline is January 23, 2009. Although we do not have a firm deadline for the Wall of Honor nominations, we anticipate late January 2009 based on past experience.

Thank you for your ongoing interest and participation in our Association activities. I am continually heartened by the community spirit of our members and remain optimistic about the coming year. Best wishes to all and enjoy the holidays!

An Interesting NASIC historic note

As you watch the astronauts from the Space Shuttle Endeavour work on the International Space Station, realize NASIC has a special historic connection to this flight. One of the NASIC unit flags is on the Endeavor at this time. NASA offered to take something NASIC-related on STS-126 and it was decided an organizational flag would be appropriate. This is a first for our Center. When the flag comes home, we will find a place of honor for it in our hallways.

Emi Vishoot President, NASIC Alumni Association

Membership Report 11/16/2008

1. Membership status: We now have 670 individuals on the alumni registry. Of these 44 are deceased (once a member, always a member). The number of individuals that have paid for 2008 and beyond is 238. We still have 91 people who previously paid in 2006 and 2007 that have yet to respond.

2. Dues: Do not forget to send your dues payments. Send your check to:

NASIC AA PO Box 84 Fairborn, Ohio 45324-0084

Your dues help with the scholarship fund and organizational operations. Thanks for your support.

3. Address and E-Mail changes: If you have a change in either your post office mailing address or your email address, please inform NASIC AA at the above address or at <u>jpsjim@hotmail.com</u>. If you do not advise us of the change then we do not know how to contact you. We send less than 10 e-mails/year so as to not deluge you with e-mails, not to mention that the use of e-mail saves us significant postage. We ask that you use NASIC AA in the subject line of the e-mail. You are a valued component of the organization and we do not want to lose contact.

NASICAA E-mail Addresses:

To obtain a free copy of the Adobe Acrobat Reader, go to the following Email address: http://www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep.html

To access the NASIC web page: WWW.NASICAA.ORG Webmaster Email address: <u>husemann@earthlink.net</u>

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THE A. FRANCIS ARCIER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The A. Francis Arcier Scholarship Program recognizes (1) children and grandchildren of current National Air and Space Intelligence Center (NASIC) employees (active duty military and civilian employees), and (2) children and grandchildren of former employees (Alumni) of NASIC or predecessor organizations. (See ELIGIBILITY Section in Attachment 1 for specific criteria). The scholarship provides a monetary award to the individuals who are judged to have demonstrated superior personal and academic qualities.

An impartial board comprised of Alumni members will evaluate each application. Applicants are evaluated solely on the basis of personal and academic qualities as indicated by scholastic performance, participation and leadership in extracurricular activities, recommendations by teachers (professors) or community leaders, and applicants' interests and long-range goals. Please follow the instructions and submit the package before the deadline given.

Keep in mind that the review committee will be evaluating applicants on the basis of their application package; therefore, overall appearance is likely to affect the final rating. For further information, please contact Emi Vishoot by phone (937-231-2385), cell (937-231-2385), or by email (<u>vishoot@earthlink.net</u>).

EMI T. VISHOOT Chair, A. Francis Arcier Scholarship Selection Committee

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Award Description
- **2.** Application Instructions
- 3. Data, Activities and Interests Sheet
- 4. Conditions of Scholarship Agreement
- 5. Recommendation Form
- 6. Privacy Release Statement

A. FRANCIS ARCIER SCHOLARSHIP AWARD DESCRIPTION

AWARD

Monetary scholarships valued up to **\$6000** will be awarded. The Scholarship Committee will determine the amount for each scholarship and the number of scholarships to be awarded.

DEADLINE

The complete application package must be postmarked by Friday, 23 January 2009

Applications will not be evaluated before this date. The NASIC Alumni Association and the Scholarship Selection Committee are not responsible for late, lost, damaged or misdirected mail.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible to apply for the scholarship award, the applicant must:

- 1. Be a Qualifying Child of a current NASIC employee (military or civilian); or a Qualifying Child of a former NASIC or predecessor organization employee. (Qualifying Child is defined as lawfully meeting one of the following NASIC Relationships: a child, grandchild, step-child, adopted child, or foster child.)
- 2. Have attended a public, preparatory, or parochial high school and will graduate between **December 2008 and June 2009,** or are presently attending a 2 or 4 year college or university.
- 3. A High School Senior, must have already applied for acceptance to a 2 or 4-year College or University.
- 4. Not plan to attend a service academy, receive a ROTC scholarship, or to receive any full four-year scholarship that includes tuition, books, and room and board. If acceptance to any of the above is pending, the individual may still apply for this scholarship, but must decline the award when and if accepted to a service academy or notified of receiving said scholarship at a later date.
- 5. Not have been awarded the A. Francis Arcier scholarship in the previous award year.

SELECTION CRITERIA

- 1. Superior scholastic achievement, as evidenced by:
 - a. High School transcript (including class ranking).
 - b. High School (including class ranking) and college transcript if already attending college.
 - c. College entrance examination test scores.
 - d. List of academic awards received, if any.
- 2. Involvement in extracurricular activities including:
 - a. Participation and leadership in school-sponsored activities
 - b. Participation and leadership in community activities
 - c. Any other activities or interests that show qualities relevant to the pursuit of higher education (e.g., work, hobbies)
- 3. Other personal qualities and achievements relevant to the pursuit of higher education, as evidenced by:
 - a. Letter(s) of Appreciation.
 - b. Applicant's statement of interests or goals.
 - c. Any other honors received.

PRIVACY RELEASE STATEMENT:

The applicant must sign a statement granting the NASIC Alumni Association the right to release his or her name, school attended and accomplishments for the explicit purpose of announcing scholarship winners in local newspapers, and the NASIC Alumni Association web site.

PHOTO:

Scholarship winners will be required to submit a digital photo (preferably senior picture) for use in newspaper submissions, newsletter articles, and the NASIC Alumni Association web site. Photo guidelines will be provided to scholarship winners.

NOTIFICATION AND PRESENTATION OF AWARD

Scholarship winners will be notified by email or phone, followed with an official letter of announcement. The formal presentation of the scholarship awards will be at the NASIC Awards Banquet (date, time and location to be announced at a later date). Each winner, plus two guests, will be invited to attend the Banquet, courtesy of the NASIC Alumni Association. Additional guests are welcome to participate at their own expense.

DISBURSEMENT OF AWARD

The monetary scholarship will be presented to the winners when proof of enrollment has been established. The scholarship may be applied to tuition, room and board, and/or books.

If for any reason an awardee is unable to attend college, or is accepted to a service academy, or is awarded a full, four-year scholarship, the awardee must immediately notify the NASIC Alumni Association at the address given below, so that an alternate winner may be selected.

A. FRANCIS ARCIER SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE ATTN: Emi T. Vishoot P.O. Box 24142 Dayton, OH 45424-0142 Email: <u>vishoot@earthlink.net</u> Phone: Home: (937) 236-1554 ; Cell: (937) 231-2385

A. FRANCIS ARCIER SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

To apply for the scholarship award, the applicant must submit a package including the following:

- 1. Completed Data, Activities, and Interests Sheet (Attachment 3)
- 2. Endorsed Conditions of Scholarship Agreement (Attachment 4).
- 3. One letter of recommendation from a principal, professor/teacher, counselor or community leader who has direct involvement with at least one of the student's classes or activities (Attachment 5). You may submit additional letters if desired.
- 4. Privacy Release Statement (Attachment 6).
- 5. An official high school transcript that includes class ranking, college entrance examination scores, and a description of the school's grading and honors course system (i.e., 4 or 5 point scale, A-P versus basic courses). If the school cannot release a sealed transcript to the student, the applicant must arrange for the transcript to be sent directly to the A. Francis Arcier Scholarship Committee (address below) by 23 JANUARY 2009.

Application package may be mailed in a 9"x 12" envelope to:

A.FRANCIS ARCIER SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE ATTN: Emi T. Vishoot P.O. Box 24142 Dayton, OH 45424-0142

A. FRANCIS ARCIER SCHOLARSHIP Data, Activities, and Interest Sheet

(Cell)

PLEASE TYPE ENTRIES 1 - 10

- 1. Name:
- 2. Mailing Address:
- 3. Phone: (Home)
- 4. Email address:
- 5. Name of NASIC sponsor (e.g., parent, guardian, Alumni member):
- 6. Phone number of NASIC sponsor
- 7. Email address of NASIC sponsor:
- 8. Name of High School:
- 9. High School Graduation Date:
- 10. Name and address of school you plan to attend or to which you have applied or are now attending:

PLEASE TYPE ENTRIES 11 – 15 ON SEPARATE PAPER

- 11. List academic awards received, if any, over the last four years.
- 12. List school-sponsored extracurricular activities including positions held and honors received.
- 13. List community activities including positions held and honors received.
- 14. Describe any other activities or interests that you think are relevant to your success with higher education (e.g., work, experience, hobbies, etc.).
- 15. In 200 words or less, describe your personal long-range goals and career goals.

A. FRANCIS ARCIER SCHOLARSHIP Conditions of Scholarship Agreement

Please type:

I, ______, have read the A. Francis Arcier Scholarship Description (Attachment 1) and understand that:

- 1. This scholarship is awarded based on demonstrated personal and academic achievement.
- 2. I understand that I am not eligible to receive the award if I am appointed to a service academy, receive a ROTC scholarship, or receive a full, four-year scholarship which includes books and college room and board. I am also not eligible if I had received the A. Francis Arcier scholarship in the year immediately prior to this application.
- 3. If I am selected as the winner, the scholarship money will be sent to me with a letter stating that use of the money is limited to payment of tuition, college room and board, and/or books.
- 4. I will notify the NASIC Alumni Association immediately if I am unable to attend school, or if I accept an appointment to a service academy prior to enrolling in college, of if I receive a full, four-year scholarship, in order that an alternate may receive the A. Francis Arcier Scholarship award.
- 5. If for any reason I decide to transfer or discontinue attendance at the college indicated in my scholarship application, it is my responsibility to notify the NASIC Alumni Association so that any remaining scholarship money can be properly handled. Instructions on how to handle the award money, given this occurrence, will be mailed along with the award check. Remaining money may be returned to the NASIC Alumni Association or transferred if enrollment at the new school is established. In any case, I understand that scholarship money will be provided directly to me.

Applicant's signature: _____

Sponsor's Signature: _____

Sponsor's Printed Name: _____

Date:

This information falls under the Privacy Act of 1974. The information contained on this page is for the express purpose of validating scholarship eligibility. It is not to be released to the public.

A. FRANCIS ARCIER SCHOLARSHIP Letter of Recommendation

Recommendation for:

name of applicant

<u>Please type.</u> This form (or facsimile) is to be completed by a professor, teacher, principal, counselor, or community leader closely involved with at least one of the applicant's classes or activities. Limit length to the space provided below or one page.

Signature	
Printed Name:	
Position/Association with Applicant:	

Date _____

Attachment 6

PRIVACY RELEASE STATEMENT

This form or facsimile must be used:

I, ______, grant the NASIC Alumni Association the right to release my name, school attended, and accomplishments for the explicit purpose of announcing scholarship winners in local newspapers, NASIC Alumni Association newsletters, and NASIC Alumni Association web site.

Signature: _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian if under 18 years of age:

Date: _____

NASIC WALL OF HONOR

<u>Purpose and Description:</u> The NASIC Wall of Honor recognizes <u>former</u> NASIC employees whose career service made a lasting positive contribution to the NASIC mission. NASIC Wall of Honor selectees are expected to evidence the following (used as headings):

- 1. Significant and lasting contribution(s) to the achievement of the Center's Vision and Mission. (20 point max score)
- 2. Exhibited outstanding leadership and/or mentorship in the performance of primary duties (10 point max score, consider dedication, professionalism, collaborative effort).

Eligibility Criteria: Any former civilian or military employee whose career with NASIC deserves recognition is eligible to be selected for placement on the Wall of Honor. A "former" employee is defined as any individual who separated or retired from US Government service before 1 Jul of the current award period. Normally, for the purposes of this award, a career would be at least 15 years of federal service, with at least 30 months spent at NASIC. Any individual previously selected as a Watson Award winner was automatically placed on the NASIC Wall of Honor upon their separation or retirement from US Government service. Any individual currently assigned to NASIC or any former employee of NASIC can nominate anyone else meeting the above criteria.

Wall of Honor Nomination Format

THE NASIC WALL OF HONOR RECOGNITION

<<NAME OF INDIVIDUAL>>

- Justification will be limited to no more than two typewritten pages in Bullet Format (word document)
- Must be specific and factual
- Should be sufficiently complete in order to make the best possible selection
- Justification must include title and signature of recommending official

RECOMMENDING OFFICIAL SIGNATURE

Signature block of Recommending Official Duty Title

Wall of Honor Citation Format

CITATION TO ACCOMPANY

THE NASIC WALL OF HONOR RECOGNITION

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RANK/MR./MRS./MISS/MS. (FULL NAME)

(Title/Name) distinguished himself/herself throughout his/her career in intelligence.

ADD 4 to 5 SENTENCES EXPANDING ON CONTRIBUTIONS

The singularly distinctive accomplishments of <u>(Title/Name)</u> are in keeping with the tradition of excellence established by National Air and Space Intelligence Center and the other men and women recognized on the NASIC Wall of Honor.

NOTES:

- 1. Page must be "landscape" format; paragraph must in "justify" format
- 2. Top, Right and left margins are 1 inch

IN MEMORIAM

Beginning this issue, your Newsletter will report former Alumni members who have passed. Our initial report includes all members known to date. Please note that this new feature is <u>limited to members of the Alumni Association</u> and can only report known deaths. We apologize for any names not listed. If you know of any NASIC/FTD Alumni Assn members who are not listed, please feel free to notify our Membership Chairman, Mr Jim Smith (<u>jpsjim@hotmail.com</u>) for inclusion in the next Newsletter.

Member Name	Years at NASIC/FTD
Adams, Clinton S.	1952 - 1981
Adler, Ory S.	1964 - 1994
Areen, Frank M., LtCol (Ret)	1973 - 1977
Ballard, John W., Maj (Ret)	1959 - 1980
Base, Robert L., LtCol (Ret)	1958 - 1965
Blue, Virginia D.	1969 - 2003
Bradford, William M.	1951 - 1973
Bradley, Charles W.	1967 - 1981
Coon, Milton B.	1953 - 1961; 1963 - 1982
Dierks, Max M.	1958 - 1966
Ellifritt, Wallace E., CDR, USN (Ret)	1957 - 1979
Fullbright, Wayne	Unknown

Member Name	Years at NASIC/FTD
Herman, Isadore	1950 - 1973
Hewitt, Charles R.	1960 - 1979
Karmele, Nicholas L.	1957 - 1996
Kerregan, John	Unknown
King, Judy, Dr.	? - 2001
Knobeloch, Dale	Unknown
Kuske, Elwood C. LtCol (Ret)	1969 - 1978
Lee, Harry R.	1977 - 1980
Lloyd, Phillip	Unknown
Marks, John B, Maj Gen	1975 - 1977
McLean, Madeline G.	1954 - 1975
McNeely, Eleanor J.	1966 -1971; 1987 - 1999
Mobley, Woodrow E.	1961 - 1981
Moore, Venant B.	1958 - 1986
Moritz, Clifford S.	1968 - 1989
Nelson, Glen E.	1976 - 1993
Peck, Henry L.	1966 - 1994
Pentecost, Edwin P.	1965 - 1981
Post, Nicholas	1945 - 1971
Rinearson, Beverly J.	1959 - 1972
Russ, Fritz J, Dr.	1952 - 1955
Schaub, Theadore J., LtCol (Ret)	1963 - 1971; 1972 - 1981
Schutte, Walter C.	1963 - 1986
Shanazar, James H.	1965 - 1986
Shawley, James M.	1958 - 1992
Shoop, Richard C. Col (Ret)	1959 - 1969
Sweeney, John J.	1946 - 1986
Tauber, Bernard A.	1970 - 1985
VanWinkle, David	1964 - 1984
Whitehill, Allen L.	1968 -1988
Wray, Orval E., LtCol (Ret)	Unknown
Ziaukas, Peter A.	1950 - 1951; 1965 - 1974

2008 ANNUAL ALUMNI MEETING GROUP PHOTO

First Row: Tom Persing, Joe Scaglione, Jane Powell, Lucy Fasules, Richard Frederick, Bob Kates, Joe Self, Chuck Fugate, Emi Vishoot, Connie Weatherford, Ken Miller, Karen Henninger, Gene Henninger, Gene Gotch, Joan Gotch, Karl Johnson, Dana Brown, Lawrence V. Long, Jr., Nancy Henderson, Tom Antonelli, Kathy Antonelli **Second Row:** James Mouse, Vic Bilek, Jim Caldwell,Bernie Heyl, Ann Isper, Richard Isper, Thomas Quinn, Norman LaPierre, George Barrett, Donald Barber, Betty Bright, Art Geier, Shirly Harris, Ron Soucy, Michael Passaniti, Greg Soucy, Joe Soucy, Ed Vishoot

Third Row: Gary Ganger, Jim Smith, Dave Lush, Skip Erhardt, Ron Emberton, Bob Herbst, Jack Mitchell, Everett Henderson, George Smith, Bill Gazzerro, Dick Franklin, Marvin Doane, John Dessinger, Jerry Hosier, Mary Margaret McKenna, Larry Benson, Sirima Benson, Joe Wilkson, Clyde Autio

Fourth Row: Bob Kaminski, Reed Romine, David Shida, Larry Allingham, Michael Wiley, Wayne Wolfe, Darvin Planeaux, Mike Gural, Jerry Constable, Marvin Christopher, Robert A. Stute, Dick Kehl, Bill Taylor, Elson Howard, Jim Getty, Barb Casto, Mary "Chris" Csincsak, William Csincsak, Jr., Laurel Mayer



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Air Force A2

Air Force Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Agency National Air and Space Intelligence Center Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio

The National Air and Space Intelligence Center (NASIC), under the command of the Air Force Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Agency a principal subordinate unit under Air Force A2, is the Air Force's single intelligence production center and the primary Department of Defense (DoD) producer of foreign air and space intelligence.

The NASIC Alumni Association (NASICAA) is an association of both retired and active personnel from the past and present Intelligence organizations T2, ATIC, FTD, FASTC, and NAIC, whose purpose is to keep alive the functioning, needs, and effectiveness of NASIC, and to aid in perpetuating these assets to assure the continued quality in the future.