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CURRENT NEWS OF NASIC AA ACTIVITY

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

We are starting a new year of the NASIC Alumni Association with a positive note and looking forward to a very eventful year. We started the year on 1 October 10 with electing a new President; all the other members of the board stayed the same. Thanks to Emi for serving as President for the past several years. She did an excellent job! I am looking forward to the challenge and hoping to make a positive asset to the Alumni. We started the year with contacting the Alumni members either by phone or e-mail. We have found several of our members have moved or changed e-mails and we were not notified. We are trying to make a reconnection with these members. If you move or change e-mails, please let James Smith know so the records can be changed and you will continue to receive the Newsletters and up-to-date information.

Last year was very eventful with the summer picnic, the Scholarship Golf and Alumni "Hack 'n Whack" Golfing events. Thank you to those who support these events. We have about \$6,000 to go towards the 2011 Arcier Scholarship Program.

We are already making plans for 2011 events. We hope to have a busy schedule for the future events; summer picnic, the Golfing events and this year we are planning an Alumni Reunion in October 2011. We are just in the starting phase of the planning so stay tuned for dates and programs. We are trying to get a tour of the NASIC IPC areas, Museum, and also tie in the yearly Alumni Meeting. So, stay tuned for all the details.

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Look further down into the Newsletter to find the forms for the 2011 Arcier Scholarship and nominations for the NASIC Wall of Honor. Please take the opportunity to nominate someone deserving for the Wall of Honor. This is an opportunity to have your voice heard. We don't have a deadline for the nomination, but past history showed the end of January. So, start your paperwork now. The 2011 Arcier Scholarship nominations deadline is Monday, 31 January 2011. Thanks to Emi Vishoot for heading this selection. Please make sure all the information is provided.

Do you know someone who would be interested in joining the NASIC Alumni Association? Please forward their name and contact information to one of the Alumni Officers or print off the form listed in the Newsletter and give to the individual. Word of mouth is very powerful, so please pass the word. Remember you don't have to be retired to be a member.

Thank you for your continued support in the Alumni activities. We appreciate your involvement and suggestions. Thank you also to the members of the Alumni Officers. When you see one of them please give them a "Special Thanks" for they are the ones behind the scenes making the webpage, picnic, golf outings, scholarships, etc such a success. You don't hear very much from them, but without their efforts we would not be in existence. A list of these special individuals is listed further down in the Newsletter.

We again, extend a heartfelt "Thank You" to each of you. We hope you have a very safe and Happy New Year!

Nita Lewis

President, NASIC Alumni Association

TRIVIA QUESTION:

Do you know who designed the NASIC Sphinx Logo? Look for the answer in the Newsletter

Membership Report

1. **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.

2. **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 jpsjim@hotmail.com. 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.

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 (vishoot@earthlink.net).

EMI T. VISHOOT

Chair, A. Francis Arcier Scholarship Selection Committee

ATTACHMENTS:

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| 1. Award Description | 4. Conditions of Scholarship Agreement |
| 2. Application Instructions | 5. Recommendation Form |
| 3. Data, Activities and Interests Sheet | 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 **Monday, 31 January 2011**

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 2010 and June 2011**, 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: vishoot@earthlink.net

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 **31 January 2011**.

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**

PLEASE TYPE ENTRIES 1 - 10

- 1. Name:**
- 2. Mailing Address:**
- 3. Phone: (Home) _____ (Cell) _____**
- 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, or 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

Please type. 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 _____

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

Purpose and Description: The NASIC Wall of Honor recognizes former 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

TO

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 (Title/Name) 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

TRIVIA ANSWER: Mr. Thomas L. Hermann

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

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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.