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CURRENT NEWS OF NASIC AA ACTIVITY

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hello Alumni,

It has been another fast year! Our annual Meeting is over and we had a great turn out. If you could not make it, please mark your calendar for 2013. You might be surprised as to what you can learn at one of the meetings. MS Debbie Chen spoke on where NASIC is headed in 2025. Mr. Rob Young spoke on the Cold War dealings at Wright Patterson AFB. If you were at Wright Patterson during the Cold War and would be interested in talking with the Liaison, please contact Mr. James Lunsford or Mr. Young who are collecting stories of NASIC's dealing during the Cold War. The current Commander of NASIC Col Prupas gave an excellent Overview of NASIC's progress.

We have two new board members: Mr. Bill Setchell will be taking the place of Mr. James Smith as Membership Vice President. Mr. Brian Munoz will be taking the place of Mr. Gerald Constable as Executive Treasurer. We would like to thank Jim and Jerry for their dedication to the NASIC Alumni for their years of service. We will be missing their excellent advice for our future endowers.

The NASIC Alumni will be helping with the Angel Tree this year. If you would like to donate children's toys, please drop them off at the North entrance (Faces golf course) from 0900 – 1600 on 6 Dec 2012.

NITA LEWIS

PRESIDENT, NASIC ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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Membership Report

1. **Dues:** The by-laws state that the Annual Dues are due on the 1st day of each year in the amount of \$7.50. 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. 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.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Arcier Scholarship Packages Due – 23 Jan 2013 – POC: Emi Vishoot (231-2385).

NASICAA-Scholarship@woh.rr.com

Summer Picnic – June 23, 2013 (Saturday) POC: Jimmy Caldwell (jdcaldwell0919@aol.com)
Come early and talk!

NASIC Open Golf Outing to benefit the NASIC Scholarship Fund – September 12, 2013 (Wednesday)

Where: Twin Base (Civilian) Golf Course at Wright-Patterson AFB

When: 12 Sept 2013, Shotgun start at 0900, registration begins at 0800

Who: Open to all personnel—military, civilian, contractors, retirees, etc

POC: Wayne Wolfe at 429-6230, or e-mail h.wolfe@ngc.com

Hack and Whack Golf Outing – September 19, 2013 (Wednesday)

POC: Jimmy Caldwell (jdcaldwell0919@aol.com)

NASIC AA Annual Meeting – October 19, 2013 (Friday)

THE 2012 A. FRANCIS ARCIER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Every year, we have the privilege of rewarding many outstanding students, and we anticipate the same this year. The Arcier Scholarship Program recognizes: (1) the 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. A full description of the eligibility criteria and application process can be found on the NASIC Alumni Association web site, www.nasicaa.org. Scroll down and click on the link located on the left side of the NASICAA home page.

The total award amount available for disbursement is \$6500. Applications must be submitted by 31 January 2013.

Please contact Mrs. Emi Vishoot if you have any questions about the scholarship program: mobile – 937.231.2385; email – NASICAA-Scholarship@woh.rr.com.

Best of luck to all applicants!

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

HEALTH UPDATE ON NASICAA MEMBERS

Homebound or Nursing Homes:

Mr. Ken Miller - He is doing better with his physical therapy. His brain needs a lot more work but he speaks clearly, it is just that he gets confused as to where he is and continues to make up stories that we sometimes don't understand. His wound is almost closed. Now, that is amazing. I still can't say enough about the "Oasis" grafting process. He really has come a very long way and they still call him the "miracle man". He really shouldn't be alive but he is and doing very well in trying to get back home. Villa of Springfield, 701 Villa Road, Springfield, OH

Mr. Al Rogers - Long time retired FTD ELINT and telemetry analyst Al Rogers has been in poor health for several months. After a long hospital stay for a severe fall and possible stroke, he is now severely paralyzed and bed-bound in a nursing home in Springfield, OH. Visits and cards would really be appreciated. The address is: Forest Glen Nursing home, 2150 Montego Dr. Springfield, OH 45503. Phone 937 390 9913

Mr. Joseph G. LaQuanti – Wheelchair bound at home 1076; Aledo Drive, Dayton, OH 45430-1334

Mr. John C. McNeill – 700 Silverleaf Drive, Dayton, OH 45431

Mr. James A. Wiley – Just had heart surgery – 271 Hollywood Blvd, Xenia, OH 45385-1229

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

NASIC AA 2012 OFFICERS

NASIC AA 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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NASIC NEWS

The principal NASIC operational area of interest during the past several months has been a major reorganization. To keep it simple and best relate to our retirees, the changes do away with what was once the Global Threat Directorate, melding most of its resources back into the Space and Missiles Group. The other big move was to break-up the former Data Analysis operation into two groups. One is known encompasses the GEOINT (imagery and many former and current MASINT disciplines); the other is responsible for foreign materiel exploitation, SIGINT, open source, collection management, etc. Why so much reshaping over the last few years? Recall that the Center implemented a unitized structure several years ago. This militarized the organizational chart into groups, squadrons, flights, offices, etc. It also requires following a firm set of rules on manpower allocations and minimum numbers of personnel for groups. When changes in mission come along and perturbate the numbers, a reorganization may be the only answer that fits the Air Force structure.

The CFC was successful again this year and it may come as a shock that NASIC's annual goal sits at about \$200K. This is a little more than most of us were used to in past years. In addition, the annual Angel Tree project is also well underway. This effort to assist needy children in the W-P and Dayton area began as a FTD Officer's Wives project over 20 years ago and has grown annually until it has become the premier charitable Christmas event on base. It will likely serve 500 or more children this year with at least \$25 being spent to answer a "wish" garnered from the cards on the tree, each of which has been submitted by a local service organization and is picked off by a NASIC member. Alumni wishing to contribute can drop off a donation at the building. After all the packages are sorted and wrapped, they are distributed to the foster home organizations and charitable agencies that have been chosen as participants. Along with the distribution, a party is hosted for all the kids at each location.

Operationally, the uncertainty of the "fiscal cliff" looms for NASIC just as it does all of us. As you are probably aware, the DOD is tagged with a disproportionate percentage of the potential cuts which would come in addition to those already allocated to deficit reduction in coming years. While military personnel would be exempt, civilians are not and reductions or layoffs are a very real threat. In addition, mission operations would have to be reduced radically. Planning options have taken up much time and effort during the last few months. While we would all agree that fiscal austerity is appropriate, the way it is currently structured will not only have a huge negative economic impact, but will also leave the Nation's defense in a state of disarray. We will know soon if this is to be our fate.

Lastly, regarding mission emphasis, it is probably worth a reminder that scientific and technical intelligence remains the foundation of NASIC's production; however, the way it is presented and delivered has changed radically. Regarding delivery, it is simple enough to remind you of the electronic age. Seldom are the "doorstop" books produced. Annual repetitions of studies are gone and the customer base has changed to include operational forces to a much larger degree. Presentation is often dictated by what the user wants. The S&TI is packaged with the other intelligence elements that enable an answer to the "so what" question and frequently the producing elements are organized around a regional context. It is worth noting that as the active warfighting appears to be receding, the strategic challenges around the world appear to be on the upswing

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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.