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NASIC ALUMNI ASSOCIATION (AA)

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President's Corner

Happy Spring 2018! I hope this newsletter finds you, your family and friends in good health. We had another great year, thanks to an amazing team of volunteers. Wayne Wolfe and Mike Ronayne planned and executed two awesome golf tournaments that fueled our highly successful college scholarship campaign. Al Hendricks stepped up and did a great job in his first year leading our annual college scholarship campaign. We awarded more money than ever before and presented our inaugural Lt Gen James R Clapper memorial scholarship at an awesome luncheon, with Gen Clapper in attendance as the keynote speaker. Les Riehl turned in another amazing performance managing our finances, and kept us in compliance with federal, state and local requirements. Larry Benson kept us connected with the NASIC senior leadership team on a wide range of issues, to include the planning and execution of events to celebrate NASIC's 100-year anniversary. Several alumni members supported Centennial related events with Airmen in the building and provided cherished insights to our combined heritage. The Centennial celebration culminated with a Centennial Ball in November attended by numerous alumni. Jimmy Caldwell, Bill Setchell, Nita Lewis and Larry Benson planned and executed our annual Picnic...this year we were blessed with another strong turnout of good friends and Ohio weather. In addition to leading our scholarship campaign, Al Hendricks accurately captured our meeting minutes throughout the year. Kathy Lindahl volunteered to take on the challenge of gathering inputs and publishing our annual newsletter, and graciously prodded our leadership team for inputs (I'm sorry mine were so late). Bill Setchell continued his amazing performance keeping all of us connected and updated on significant events...his efforts truly keep the NASIC AA community connected throughout the year. I led us into our first year in the CFC campaign as a local charity; it was a bit bumpy due to the web interface, but we did generate additional funds for our scholarship campaign. I'm very proud to serve alongside such an amazing team of people...people that truly care about our members and strive to promote and support NASIC's critical mission.

Gordon D. Issler

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2018 Event Calendar

01 Mar	- Wall of Honor Nominee (names only)
09 Mar	- Arcier Scholarship packages are due
13 Apr	- NASIC Dining Out
16 May	- NASICAA Wingman Open golf event at Twin Base Golf Club
23 Jun	- NASICAA Annual Picnic at Rotary Park)
Jun/Jul	- Wall of Honor completed pkg suspense
08 Aug	- NASIC Awards Luncheon
08 Aug	- NASICAA Annual Meeting
12 Sep	- NASICAA Arcier Scholarship Golf Tournament
19 Sep	- Tom Antonelli & Jim Smith Memorial Hack 'n' Whack
07 Dec	- NASIC Open House

Membership Report

21 March 2018

1. Membership Renewal and Dues Payments: Due by 1 Jan 2018.

- To check on your dues status, call/email Bill Setchell, Membership VP, at

937-479-9202

trossbird@icloud.com

- For those with internet access, to enroll, renew your membership, and to submit dues, please do the following:
 - Go to: http://nasicaa.org/uploads/3/5/4/2/35421527/membership_form_rev_9.pdf
 - Download and complete the enrollment/renewal form
 - Dues are \$10.00/year.
 - We have a Lifetime Membership program; details are on the enrollment/renewal form.
 - Members over the age of 80 are entitled to free Lifetime Membership...just call/email Bill Setchell (contact information at Para 8 below) and let him know that you qualify.
- For those without internet access, contact Bill Setchell for dues status (contact info at Para 8), then send your enrollment/renewal form and check to:

NASIC Alumni Association

PO Box 84

Fairborn, OH 45324-0084

2. Current NASICAA Membership Bylaws and Categories.

A. Lifetime Membership

a. Eligibility

- All Members: An optional Lifetime Membership is available to Current Members at the following rates:

Under 50: \$250.00

50-64: \$150.00

65-74: \$100.00

75-80: \$50.00

Over 80: Free

- Honorary Lifetime Members: As conferred on a case-by-case basis by the Executive Board.

b. Privileges:

- Lifetime Members may vote on issues submitted to the membership at large.
- Lifetime Members may be elected to any NASICAA officer or staff position.
- Lifetime Members will receive invitations to Alumni Association and NASIC events; newsletters; rosters and roster updates; Alumni Association news updates; and other notices throughout the year via email (if available to the member) or USPS (if the member does not use email).

B. Current Membership

- a. Eligibility:
 - Current Membership is open to persons who are serving or who have served in a military, civilian or contractor capacity at NASIC.
 - With the approval of the Executive Board, Current Membership is also offered to others who are interested in promoting the purposes of the NASICAA.
- b. Criteria: Current Members are in good standing if their dues are paid for the current calendar year or for the current calendar year plus any number of years into the future.
- c. Privileges:
 - a. Current Members may vote on issues submitted to the membership at large.
 - b. Current Members may be elected to any NASICAA officer or staff position.
 - c. Current Members will receive invitations to Alumni Association and NASIC events; newsletters; rosters and roster updates; Alumni Association news updates; and other notices throughout the year via email (if available to the member) or USPS (if the member does not use email).

C. Reserve Membership

- a. Eligibility: Same as Current Members.
- b. Criteria: Any Member whose dues are overdue but are current within three calendar years.
- c. Privileges:
 - Reserve Members will continue to receive invitations to Alumni Association events, newsletters, rosters and roster updates, and Alumni Association notices via email or USPS, as appropriate.
 - Reserve Members may not vote or hold office.

D. Inactive Membership

- a. Eligibility: Same as Current Members.
- b. Criteria: Any Member whose dues are overdue and have not been paid for more than the three past calendar years.
- c. Privileges:
 - Inactive Members will not receive newsletters, rosters and roster updates and Alumni Association notices via USPS. Since email distribution of such items incurs no financial cost to NASICAA, email distribution of these items may be continued to Inactive Members at the Membership VP's discretion.
 - Inactive Members may not vote or hold office.
- d. Dues Reminders:
 - Once members become "Inactive," the Membership VP will make an effort to contact each Inactive Member and to encourage them to re-activate their membership.
 - This contact will occur periodically for a period of one year from the time the member became inactive.
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E. Corporate Membership

- a. Eligibility: Extended by the Executive Board to organizations that exhibit an interest in promoting the welfare of NASIC and in supporting the purposes of the NASICAA.

- b. Privileges:
- c. Corporate members may not vote nor hold office.
- d. Designated Corporate Member representatives, selected by the Executive Board, will receive invitations to Alumni Association events and other notices of interest throughout the year via email.

3. Membership Overview

Membership Totals	21-Mar-18
Number of members in the NASICAA Membership Database	570
Includes this number of Lifetime Members:	219
And this number of members currently assigned to/employed by NASIC	10
Membership Category Breakout	
ACTIVE	
Number of Active Members (includes members current through 2018 and beyond and Lifetime Members)	323
RESERVE	
Number of Reserve Members (current through 2015, 2016 and 2017)	56
INACTIVE	
Number of Inactive Members (dues more than three years overdue)	191
CORPORATE	
Number of current employee/contractor members	0
Missing in Action	
Number of members whose status/address is unknown	38
Number of Members Who Have Cancelled	
Number of individuals who have cancelled their membership since 1 Jan 2017	3
Command Participation	
Number of Former Commanders	9
Number of Former Vice Commanders	11
Number of Former Chief Scientists	3
Membership Growth	
Number of new members in CY 2018 to date	11
Communication	
Number of members who have provided email addresses	469
Number of members who have to be contacted via USPS	101

4. NASICAA Roster Update

- The latest NASICAA Roster electronically disseminated to our membership via email was Rev 12, dated 02 Jan 2018.
- The latest NASICAA Roster hard copy mailed to our non-email-connected membership via USPS was Rev 11, dated 2 Mar 2017.
- In order to reduce copying and mailing costs, hard-copy NASICAA Rosters are only disseminated via USPS to those NASICAA members who a) do not have email and b) who are Active or Reserve Members.

5. Deceased Alumni, Alumni Family Members, and NASIC Colleagues

- The following colleagues and family members have been reported to the NASICAA as deceased since 1 Jan 2017.
- The names have been sorted alphabetically.
- If any omissions or errors are noted, please advise Bill Setchell (contact info at Para 8).

Name, Last	Name, First	Nickname	Date	Remarks
Askins	Mavis		3-Jun-17	Dana Brown's mother
Autio	Clyde		04-Jan-17	
Berganini	Shirley		29-Aug-17	Dave Berganini's wife
Bornhorst	Dr Kenneth	Ken	23-Jan-18	
Bright	Betty Ann	Betty	10-Apr-17	
Carnahan	Kenneth	Ken	06-Jul-15	
Carnes	James	Jim	06-Jul-16	
Cherry	Donald	Don	11-Jan-17	
Crews	Robert	Bob	30-May-17	
Drake	Richard	Dick	17-Mar-17	
Eggers	Erich		24-Sep-17	
Fasules	Lucy		20-Jan-18	
Fulton	William	Bill	29-Jun-15	
Getty	James	Jim	17-Jan-17	
Gibson	Patricia		15-Mar-18	
Glowacki	Ronald	Ron	06-Sep-17	
Hogue	Donald		08-May-15	
Holmes	Mary Ann		18-Mar-17	
Howard	Virginia Ruth		08-Mar-18	Cindy Morris' mother
Howard	LtCol Elson		19-Feb-18	Cindy Morris' father
Huston	Robert	Bob		
Keeton	Cleeta		09-Mar-18	Ruby Keeton's wife
Livingston	James	Jim	14-Feb-17	
Lopes	Duarte	Dewey	13-Jun-17	
Lytle	Carol		21-Sep-17	Glenn Lytle's wife
Lytle	Freda		12-Jan-17	
Macha	Alice	Alice	07-Apr-17	Eddie Macha's wife
Mangio	Charles	Chuck	25-Apr-17	
Martin	Cindy		06-Sep-17	
McCullough	Jean		26-Jan-17	
Merendo	Anthony	Tony	24-Feb-18	Candy Mereno's father
Miller	Jan		04-Dec-17	Barry Miller's wife
Miller			24-Dec-18	Barry Miller's brother
Nelson	Shirley		18-Feb-17	
Odgers	Mgen Peet		20-Jan-18	
Parry	Tom		01-Dec-17	Awaiting additional information
Perkins	Neil		09-Apr-17	
Piatka	Brenda		13-Aug-17	John Piatka's wife
Piatniza	Edith		UNK	Learned of this on 20 Aug 2017
Piatniza	Mike		UNK	Learned of this on 20 Aug 2017
Rethman	Vince		UNK	Learned of this on 20 Aug 2017
Rosengarten	Nathan	Rosie	15-Mar-17	
Runion	Betty		Unk	
Ryan	Carolyn		17-May-17	Mike Ryan's mother
Scaglione	Patricia		13-Sep-17	Joe Scaglione's wife
Shaffer	John		07-Jan-17	
Siemer	Ronald	Ron	25-Feb-17	
Smith	James	Jim	29-Nov-17	
Smith	Robert	Bob	14-Oct-16	Learned of this on 21 Aug 2017
Stallman	Francis	Frank	20-Apr-17	
Wilkinson	Mickey	Mick	13-Oct-17	
Winchell	Nila		21-Feb-17	
Wooddell	Edward	Ed	30-Oct-17	

6. Unknown Status/Unknown Address Members

- The list below contains the names of 50 members for whom we have lost contact and have no information regarding current status or valid contact information.
- If any Alumni are aware of the status and/or contact information for any of the following, please advise Bill Setchell using the contact information in Para 8 below.

NAME, LAST	NAME, FIRST		LAST HEARD FROM
Adams	Betty	L	2003
Auster	Judith	G	23-Jun-09
Austerman	Raymond	E	2002
Becker	Douglas	J	2010
Bush	Barbara	J	
Coil	Orville	L	2002
Dierkes	Edward	D	
Eskew	Rosemary		2002
Ford	Anna	M	2-Jul-09
Green	Robert	D	24-Jun-09
Greenfield	William	D	23-Jun-09
Gregory	George	T	24-Jun-09
Haller	Ralph	S	25-Jun-09
Hembree	Linda	L	28-Jun-09
Herge	Kenneth	W	2008
Holland	Karen	W	2013
Ingram	Connie	D	2013
Jackson	Bettie	G	23-Jun-09
Jackson	Christine		28-Jun-09
Johnson	Helen	F	2000
Kim	Earnest	P	2013
King	Jack	H	25-Jun-09
Lewis	Jeffrey		23-Jun-09
Linton, Jr	William		2-Jul-09
Majersik	Jennifer		2000
McNeely	Eleanor	J	
Moss	J.		23-Jun-09
Panetta	Steven		3-Jul-09
Pennington	Kenneth	N	23-Jun-09
Pickett	Donald	F	2000
Rosset	George	T	23-Jun-09
Sanders	James	L	24-Jun-09
Saunders	William	F.	2010
Schverak	Frankie	E	23-Jun-09
Seaman	Calvin	R	23-Jun-09
Severino	Helen	H	
Sheley	Linda		27-Jun-09
Smith	Mattie	G	23-Jun-09
Sowder	E.Evelyn		30-Jun-09
Stelzer	Frank	A	
Stute	Robert	C	30-Jun-09
Taylor	Albert	E	2000
Thompson	John	A	2008
Tonge	James	L	24-Jun-09
Tuxhorn	William	P	2000
Vice	John	T	24-Jun-09
Willis	Virginia	C	24-Jun-09
Wilson	Charles	C	UNK
Woodruff	Wendi	A	23-Jun-09
Yarbrough	Wilbur	A	2000

7. Topics for the Future.

- a. Increase membership among current NASIC employees and younger retirees.
- b. By Mar 2018: Inactive members (more than three years overdue on dues) will be contacted for the last time by both email and snail mail (for those that do not use email). Those that fail to respond within 60 days will be dropped from the membership database.
- c. Starting thinking about the next Membership VP (I can't do this forever)!
- d. A handful of our members (6 out of 469 who use email) have reported problems receiving and/or opening attachments. NASICAA will look into using an on-line commercial email account to enhance outgoing email operations.
- e. Spend more on postage and copying in order to get NASICAA News Updates out more often to Active and Reserve members who only use snail-mail.

8. **Membership Information Updates:** Members are requested to provide updates to status and contact information to Bill Setchell via the following:

Email: trossbird@icloud.com
Cell: 937-479-9202

Bill Setchell

NASICAA Picnic, Rotary Park, 24 June 2017

Saturday, June 24, 2017, was a beautiful day as 50 FTD/NASIC alumni descended on the Rotary Park picnic area in Beaver Creek. We also had two very special guests, NASIC Commander, Colonel Sean Larkin and the NASIC Vice Commander Colonel Jed Cohen. We had barbeque chicken and pork, plus mac and cheese and baked beans. Toss in pie and cake and it was a wonderful meal. Three things, outstanding people, coupled with good food and above all-----name tags made it a wonderful day. Expect the same in 2018 on June 23rd.

Jim Caldwell

2017 HACK 'n' WHACK GOLF OUTING

The "Final Hack and Whack" was held in 2016. One reason is that we are all getting older and don't play as well and some of the youthful energy we used to enjoy is gone. However, we all admire those of us in our 80s and as long as those continue to want to play, we'll find a way! We named this one "Final Hack and Whack follow on." Our champion for this event was Jim Smith. At the ripe old age of 88, he still hit a great ball and he was there to lead us off.

Well, so much for "Final Hack 'n' Whacks." Our 20 September 2017 event was one of the most competitive matches that we have ever had and will be famous for having two first place teams. Fortified with free coffee and donuts plus cookies and candy provided by Kathy Antonelli, we attacked the Prairie Trace golf course with determination and enthusiasm. We were a couple of players short so I talked Tik of Tik's THAI EXPRESS (and Larry Benson's daughter-in-law) into playing. I wasn't sure how well she played so I watched her tee her ball up and take aim and then bounce her ball off of the nearest tree. Right then I knew she was one of us!

Team Erhardt, Beaulieu, VanZant and Mitchell came in first place with a gross score of 66. Tying them for first place with a net score of 63.2 was Team Kaminski, Barker, Weatherford and Davis. There was only four strokes difference from top to bottom. Third place went to Team Armstrong, Armstrong, Eckles and Bean and was quickly followed by Team TIK, Smith, Menna and Antonelli. Rounding out the top five was

Team Bogden, Bogden, Mayrand and O'Connell. Team Christopher, Belka and Mouse was out of 5th place by less than one stroke, but they were one player short.

Our enthusiasm for "Just one more" was seriously damaged when our champion, Jim Smith, tragically and unexpectedly died suddenly on 29 Nov 2017. In Jim's and Tom Antonelli's memory (we lost Tom on 9 Apr 2016), we will conduct the NASICAA Tom Antonelli and Jim Smith Memorial Hack 'n' Whack Golf event on 19 Sep 2018.

Jim Caldwell

Financial Report for 2017

Starting Balance (1 January 2017)		\$19,278.79
INCOME		
Dues & Life Membership	\$1,700.00	
Wingman Golf Outing	\$10,341.00	
Annual Meeting (Clapper Luncheon)		
Scholarship Fund Donations	\$895.00	
Golf Tournament		
Annual Picnic	\$265.00	
TOTAL INCOME	\$13,201.00	
EXPENSE		
PO Box Fee		
Postage (Newsltr)		\$123.88
Printing (Newsltr & Scholarship Applicat)		\$253.80
Web Support		\$122.97
Annual Meeting (Clapper Luncheon)		
2017 Scholarship Payout		\$14,000.00
Wingman Golf Outing		\$4,984.00
Golf Tournament		
Annual Picnic		\$675.69
Hack & Wack Exp		
Children'a Holiday Party Donation		
Honor Flight Dayton Inc Donation		
Misc Expenses (Reorder Checks)		\$23.99
Scholarship Awardee Luncheon Fees		
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$20,184.33
Operating Balance		-\$6,983.33
Account Balance (xx yyy 2017)		\$12,295.46

2018 A. Francis Arcier Scholarship Program

The A. Francis 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. Applicants must be high school seniors who plan to attend college or college students in an undergraduate program. The scholarship provides a monetary award to the individual(s) who is (are) judged to have demonstrated superior

personal and academic qualities. Certain eligibility limitations are described in the attachments to this package.

The deadline for the complete application package for our 2018 program was **Friday, 9 March 2018**. Applications were not evaluated before this date. The NASIC Alumni Association and the Scholarship Committee are not responsible for late, lost, damaged or misdirected mail.

As has been the case for prior years, applicants for our 2017 program had to be high school seniors who plan to attend college or college students in an undergraduate program. The scholarship provides a monetary award to the individual(s) who is (are) judged to have demonstrated superior personal and academic qualities.

In 2017, the NASIC Alumni Association awarded \$14,000 in scholarships. Our goal was to match or exceed previous levels and we were extremely successful thanks to the generosity of our NASIC members. As a result, we were able to significantly increase the awards given in 2017. We awarded a top scholarship of \$2,500, \$1,000 and \$500 to 21 of 28 high school and college student applicants.

For next year, please direct any interested student to the NASIC Alumni Association website at:

<http://nasicaa.org>

A number of members contributed to the scholarship fund during 2017. Individual contributions can be made by Alumni members, and the scholarship contribution is tax deductible. If you are interested, please send checks to NASIC Alumni Association in care of:

A. FRANCIS ARCIER SCHOLARSHIP
PO Box 84
Fairborn, OH 45324-0084

For further information, please contact Al Hendricks, our Arcier Scholarship Program Chair

Al Hendricks

2017 Arcier Scholarship Winners



Daniel Donnelly

NASIC Relationship: John Donnelly (Parent)
University: Notre Dame University
Major: Chemical Engineering
Award: \$2,500.00

Lt General James R. Clapper Award Winner



Blaine Butterworth

NASIC Relationship: James Engel (Parent)
University: Wright State University
Major: Physical Therapy
Award: \$1,000.00



Kaylee Elkins

NASIC Relationship: Mark Elkins (Parent)
University: The Ohio State University
Major: Electrical Engineering
Award: \$1,000.00



Nicholas Weissman

NASIC Relationship: Philip Weissman (Parent)
University: Wittenberg University
Major: Physics
Award: \$1,000.00



Macie Armstrong

NASIC Relationship: Col Laurel Mayer (Grandparent)
University: Miami University
Major: Finance
Award: \$500.00



Kira Barklay

NASIC Relationship: Tarry Barklay (Parent)
University: University of Dayton
Major: Marketing
Award: \$500.00



Evan DeWine

NASIC Relationship: Jim Caldwell (Grandparent)
University: University of Dayton
Major: Electrical Engineering
Award: \$500.00



Alan Fullenkamp

NASIC Relationship: Scott Fullenkamp (Parent)
University: University of Cincinnati
Major: Biomedical Engineering
Award: \$500.00



Zane Hamdan

NASIC Relationship: Mariam Hamdan (Parent)
University: University of Pittsburgh
Major: Neuroscience
Award: \$500.00



Anna Hlinomaz

NASIC Relationship: James VanKuren (Grandparent)
University: Boston Conservatory
Major: Music in Vocal Performance
Award: \$500.00



Karl Kiesel

NASIC Relationship: Kurt Kiesel (Parent)
University: Miami University
Major: Engineering
Award: \$500.00



Nicholas Luttrell

NASIC Relationship: Steve Luttrell (Parent)
University: Bowling Green State University
Major: Education
Award: \$500.00



Nicholas Moorman

NASIC Relationship: Dale Moorman (Parent)
University: Cedarville University
Major: Music
Award: \$500.00



Alexander Naff

NASIC Relationship: Jeffery Naff (Parent)
University: University of Alabama
Major: Electrical and Mechanical Engineering
Award: \$500.00



Taylor Rice

NASIC Relationship: Ronny Rice (Grandparent)
University: The Ohio State University
Major: Dentistry
Award: \$500.00



Julia Schantz

NASIC Relationship: Paul Schantz (Parent)
University: Cedarville University
Major: Graphic Design
Award: \$500.00



Caelan Stelbelton

NASIC Relationship: Karen Stelbelton (Parent)
University: Virginia Tech University
Major: Computer Engineering
Award: \$500.00



Duncan Stelbelton

NASIC Relationship: Karen Stelbelton (Parent)
University: Virginia Tech University
Major: Biomedical Engineering
Award: \$500.00



Ian Stelbelton

NASIC Relationship: Karen Stelbelton (Parent)
University: Virginia Tech University
Major: Aerospace Engineering
Award: \$500.00



Mary Stewart

NASIC Relationship: Jay Stewart (Parent)
University: Texas A&M
Major: History
Award: \$500.00



Vance Underwood

NASIC Relationship: Lenora Vance (Grandparent)
University: Bellarmine University
Major: Film and Television
Award: \$500.00

General Clapper Luncheon & NASIC Alumni Association Annual Meeting



Photo 1: [Please do not post to Facebook or other non-DoD social media.]

1. NASICAA's General James Clapper Luncheon on 25 August 2017

This was a great event. The old O Club, now known as the Wright-Patt Club, was pretty much all sold out for this. Gen Clapper gave a great talk: he was informative, very interesting, personal, and actually very, very entertaining. The guy can be really funny! He also had some extremely complimentary things to say about NASIC, NASIC's workforce, and about our Alumni Association folks. He allowed plenty of time for questions and comments.

Those with a really good eye will spot John Morris standing behind and between Sharon Staley and Gen Clapper. John came in from DC for this event and for other NASIC activities going on associated with Gen Clapper's visit. Also in from out of town were Dr Ed Tagliaferri and his daughter Monique Stover, who flew in from Los Angeles. Gen Clapper is the one with his hands on Larry Benson's shoulders.

In his introduction for Gen Clapper, Larry, who was basically confined to a wheelchair due to his recent knee accident and subsequent surgery, explained that he just had a haircut given to him by his daughter who is a great Thai cook (but he implied that she may not be the best barber!), and that he was wearing a very stylish pair of gym/running pants (because they were about all he could put on that would get over his knee brace). Larry always was a classy dresser...



In this photo, Vic Bilek must be giving Gen Clapper the low-down on his involvement with the Nazi ME-262 jet fighter back in his T-2 days. On a previous visit to NASIC, Gen Clapper was given a piece from an Messerschmitt Me262A-1a Schwalbe that had crashed in a farmer's field in Xenia back on 20 Aug 1946. He mentioned that gift during his talk as one of his most treasured mementos.

Vic is our most senior Alumni Association member; he is a very young and very active 98 years old.

During the luncheon, NASICAA President Gordon Issler:

- Assisted General Clapper in presenting a king-sized replica of your Alumni Association's first NASICAA James Clapper Scholarship Award check to Mr John Donnelly, father of award winner Daniel Donnelly. Daniel could not be present for this, as he was already at Notre Dame, where he will be studying chemical engineering.
- Encouraged the NASIC personnel present to use the CFC as a way to support their Alumni Association.
- Gordon also invited the NASIC personnel present to enroll in the NASICAA, pointing out that a) doing so is free for as long as they are assigned to/employed by NASIC, and b) there was a stack of NASICAA enrollment forms conveniently located at the entrance to the Club dining room.

2. NASIC Annual Meeting: 25 August 2017

President Gordon Issler hosted a brief annual business-only meeting at the Wright-Patt Club shortly after the Gen Clapper luncheon was concluded.

About 30 Alumni Association members attended.

Topics discussed included:

Gordon Issler, President:

- New sources of funding for our scholarship program: The Combined Federal Campaign and Corporate donations, to include one in the works from Northrup-Grumman.
- Potential for NASICAA members to serve as mentors/advisors to NASIC personnel: This is an old topic, and while several Alumni are open to doing this, to date no one within NASIC has agreed to take it on and to make it work. Larry Benson pointed out that without "inside NASIC leadership and motivation," this will probably never get anywhere. John Morris offered to assist.

Wayne Wolfe, Executive VP: Wayne summarized income from golf outings to date, and described how we are now doing two outings a year.

Les Riehl, Treasurer: Les noted that this report is usually done in October, when we normally hold our annual meeting, so this report remains somewhat incomplete in some areas, to include the costs for CFC registration and the final expenses, if any, for the Clapper luncheon.

Bill Setchell, Membership:

- Perhaps a key item of note is that, as stated in our by-laws, all members who are more than three years overdue on their dues are now considered as inactive members
- Currently, 250 of the 584 members on file fall into that "Inactive" category.
- And 157 of those 250 do have email addresses, and should be getting this, so hopefully you are also reading this!
- As stated in our by-laws:

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Jim Caldwell:

- Discussed our annual picnic, including costs and attendance.
- Noted that his "last ever hack 'n' whack" golf event will be kept alive for one more year due to popular demand. His wimpish effort to convince folks to discontinue this event failed, even after he made the following arguments: 1) when most of the players bend down to tee up the ball, they can't get back up again; 2) if they can get back up, most of the players can't see the ball to hit it; 3) if they do hit the ball they forget which way it went; and 4) if they do wander out on the fairway to try to find the ball, they forget why they are out there and they eventually just go home.

Bill Setchell

Senior Operations Advisor's Report

NOTABLE SENIOR CIVILIAN PERSONNEL MOVES JUST ANNOUNCED BY NASIC/CC

- Mr. Manny Gomez will become SC (the information technology directorate) Deputy Director
- Mr. Tim Heist will become the CVX (special programs) Deputy
- Mr. Michael Sherry will become the GXK (information exploitation) Squadron Director
- Mr. Brian Niswander will become XO Customer Engagement Senior Intelligence Analyst, a newly established position
- Mr. Gary Landers will become NASIC Tradecraft Methodologist, a newly established position
- Mr. Tom Boyd will move to part-time, in lieu of full retirement, for up to one year and assume role of SMB Senior Intelligence Analyst Emeritus
- No later than 1 May, Ms. Julie Moran will move from DIA Joint Duty position to become GS (GEOINT and MASINT) Deputy replacing Mr. Mark Brunn who is scheduled to retire. She will be replaced at DIA by Mr. Mike Jarratt.
- Four positions will be filled via the CS competitive process:
 - SCX (IT plans) Director
 - GSI (imagery analysis) squadron senior intelligence analyst
 - SCP (IT programs) senior intelligence analyst
 - SMB (missiles) senior intelligence analyst

These moves, which are described here informally to enhance understanding, are the result of the policy which periodically rotates senior civilian leadership to enable professional development and enhance mission performance.

MAJOR ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

In a major example of the old adage related to “going around, coming around,” the Commander has announced the restructure of the XP (Plans Directorate) into a Plans and Operations Directorate (XO) which will incorporate many of the operations oversight roles now disbursed around the organization. This new organization will be very comparable in size to the former FTD/XO and will incorporate many of the same responsibilities in the areas of resource and production management.

NASICAA CONTRIBUTION TO NASIC CHRISTMAS AND HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

While quite a few alumni took advantage of the annual open house opportunity conducted just before Christmas, many may not realize that the following day was the NASIC children’s party. This year’s attendance was approximately 250 and the NASICAA financial contribution was a major factor in the number of activities and their success. The party organizers were delighted to have the NASICAA support and were thoroughly impressed by the fact the oldsters still care about promoting the welfare of the organization and its people. Needless to say, the most visible alumni contribution was, as always, our very own John Crispino. Every year for decades John has embodied the season for NASIC and its predecessor organizations. He remains the fixture that can always provide the guiding spirit to the annual activities. Sturdy as he is, this year’s large numbers challenged his stamina for the picture taking sessions.

NASICAA CONTRIBUTION TO TROOP WELFARE

Helping enable the NASICAA support to the above activities is the contribution we receive from Northrup-Grumman to be used for the troop welfare and benefits. This action is facilitated annually by the application and justification submitted by Wayne Wolfe. In addition to the Christmas program, this year the NASICAA is able to assist a new program for junior enlisted which will be conducted by senior NCOs to speed their adjustment and promote the professional development that will enhance overall performance.

Larry Benson

NASIC Centennial

As noted in our last newsletter, 2017 represented the centennial year for NASIC and its predecessor organizations. There was at least one related event per month during the year, all organized to focus on some aspect of our history. The organization greatly appreciated the participation of numerous alumni in these events which were well attended by the current workforce. As noted above, the alumni enabled the highlight of the monthly events by bringing in former Director of National Intelligence, James R. Clapper. In addition to speaking at our annual meeting, he spoke on the organization's legacy of contributions to Air Force intelligence and national defense. The auditorium was standing room only with well over 500 attendees. NASIC senior leaders met with Mr. Clapper and he was presented with the latest demonstrations of analytical technologies and capabilities. The culmination of the Centennial year was the formal ball held at the National Museum of the US Air Force in October. The Air Force Vice Chief was the featured speaker and many former commanders, vice commanders and senior civilians were back for the celebration which also coincided with the dedication of the new flight line based foreign materiel exploitation facility. Numerous alumni attended the ball and their presence and former contributions were liberally highlighted during the program.

Larry Benson



Figure 1(l-r): Chief (Ret) Michael Perry, Mr. Gary O'Connell, Mr. Phil Lathrop, Dr. Joe Dollar, Brig Gen (Ret) Jim Miller, Col (Ret) Trish Sexton, Col (Ret) Dean Kniola, Lt Gen Dash Jamieson, HAF/A2, Col (Ret) Ken Dumm, Gen Steve Wilson, VCSAF (Guest Speaker), Col Jed Cohen, Col Sean Larkin, Col (Ret) Joe Pridotkas, Col (Ret) Larry Benson, Mr. Curt Rowland, Col (Ret) Kathleen Sakura, Brig Gen Aaron Prupas, Col (Ret) Mark Hess, Mr. Steve Hayden, Col (Ret) Richard Annas, CMSgt Christopher Easter, CMSgt (ret) Michael Ronayne

NASIC Alumni Memorial Plaque

The NASIC Alumni Memorial Plaque was established in 1999. It was established to generate funds for the Alex Francis Arcier Scholarship Award. This award is named in honor of FTD's first Chief Scientist. A monetary award is presented to deserving students furthering their undergraduate education.

A contribution of \$150.00 is required. All money contributed is used to fund scholarships.

The memorial plaque is one way to recognize the life and career of our family members, friends and co-workers. We encourage you to use this plaque to keep a lifetime of memories ever present. Contributions can be an individual or group effort. The Alumni Memorial Plaque hangs in the atrium of the NASIC Intelligence Production Center, near the entrance to the auditorium.

With a minimum donation to the NASIC AA Scholarship Fund, you can honor a deceased member of our professional family by having an engraved name plate added to the plaque. Please contact Mrs. Shirley Harris (saharris43@aol.com) for details.

Shirley Harris

Wall of Honor Nomination

- 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.

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