

# THE LEROY W. HOMER JR. FOUNDATION JUNE 2008



## Naval Academy Graduate Makes September 11th Foundation

When Michael Scott graduated from the US Naval Academy in Annapolis, MD on Friday, May 23, 2008, Melodie Homer, President of The LeRoy W. Homer Jr. Foundation was in the audience to witness this special event. Michael Scott was a recipient of a 2003 flight scholarship from The LeRoy W. Homer Jr. Foundation, which allowed him to obtain his private pilot's license prior to attending the Naval Academy. "Michael's scholarship application was the

very first one we received. We've watched him make his dreams of flying a reality. He's the epitome of what we wanted to accomplish when we started The Foundation" remarked Melodie Homer. In an essay question on his 2003 scholarship application, Michael wrote "Five years from now, I will most likely be just graduating from college, ready to do my job as a pilot."

Michael Scott will begin Navy pilot flight training in July.



**Melodie Homer, Michael Scott**  
2003 LeRoy W. Homer Jr.  
Foundation scholarship  
recipient

## "For The Love Of Flight" Fundraiser September 9, 2008

A fundraiser to benefit The LeRoy W. Homer Jr. Foundation will be held on Tuesday, September 9, 2008 hosted by Champs Restaurant in Marlton, NJ. The evening's events, which will include a silent auction, will be hosted a local radio personality. Champs has generously pledged a percentage of the evening's proceeds to this local non-profit organization. So, mark your calendars now and bring the family for a night of food, fun and entertainment.

Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2008, beginning at 5:00 pm

Place: Champs Restaurant, 25 Route 73 South, Marlton, NJ

If you are interested in corporate sponsorship or donating items to the silent auction, please contact us at [dyeregui@leroywhomerjr.org](mailto:dyeregui@leroywhomerjr.org)

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## 2008 Scholarship Recipient

The 2008 Scholarship recipient is Brittany Smith from Virginia Beach, VA. Brittany has just graduated from high school and will be attending Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in the fall.

Brittany’s high school record speaks for itself—Honor Society, Thespian Society, Senate, year-book , chorus, as well as varsity letters in basketball and drama. Brittany has also been involved in her community through kids camps, food drives and has participated in church-sponsored mission trips.

Brittany has managed to participate in all these activities while still maintaining a high GPA. She is currently enrolled at her local flight school, well



**Brittany Smith**

on her way to completing her private pilot’s license. Congratulations Brittany!

We would like to share information on the accomplishments of the Foundation thus far, and where we are headed in the future. We have spoken at venues including schools, various non-profit events, and aviation related meetings. If you would like a representative from The LeRoy W. Homer Jr. Foundation to speak to your organization, please contact our Executive Director at 800-388 -1647 or [chomerwilson@leroywhomerjr.org](mailto:chomerwilson@leroywhomerjr.org).

### **Building To Be Named in Memory of Major LeRoy Homer**



**Our website**

**will be getting a facelift.**

**Stay tuned**

**for the**

**unveiling later**

**this summer...**

This October, a building at Wright Patterson Air Force Base will be dedicated in memory of Major LeRoy “Lee” Homer. LeRoy Homer flew the C-141 Starlifter, while serving in the Air Force Reserves from 1995 until 2000. The Wright Patterson Air Force Base, or “Wright-Patt” as its known, is one of the largest, most diverse and organizationally complex Air Force installations. Past, present and future are linked to this location in the heart of Dayton, Ohio - from pioneering flights of the Wright brothers to the development of aircraft and aerial systems.

The dedication is scheduled for Saturday, October 4, 2008. If you are interested in attending, please check our website for more information in the fall.

## EARNING THEIR WINGS

It is said that you can build a house with whatever material you choose, but you cannot build a home without love. We would like to recognize those who contributed to The LeRoy W. Homer Jr. Foundation with love, during the 2008 calendar year.

### Gold Wings

Christine Homer  
Clayton & Katherine  
Dyson  
E.L Juriansz

### Silver Wings

Marilyn Brown  
Earl Carter

### Bronze Wings

Tom & Linda  
Delaney  
Zethalyn Lennon

The Foundation is always looking for volunteers to help with events and fundraisers.



Email us at:  
[volunteers@leroywhomerjr.org](mailto:volunteers@leroywhomerjr.org)

## Looking For A Few Good Men or Women

The LeRoy W. Homer Jr. Foundation is currently looking for new Board members. The Foundation relies on a committed and active Board to guide its direction. Since The Foundation operates with an all-volunteer staff, Board members may also serve as committee heads. The Board currently holds monthly conference calls with one annual face to face meeting. If you are interested in becoming a Board member, please call Cheryl Homer Wilson at 800-388-1647 or [chomerwilson@leroywhomerjr.org](mailto:chomerwilson@leroywhomerjr.org)

Know someone who would like to get this newsletter in the future?

Email



[joswari@leroywhomerjr.org](mailto:joswari@leroywhomerjr.org)  
to be added to the mailing list.

## Homer Honored With the Eagles

An event honoring the recognized the brave Tuskegee Airmen of African Americans who Southwestern Pennsylvania presented a posthumous award to LeRoy Homer on February 2, 2008. "The Gathering of Eagles" held at the Senator John Heinz History Center in Pittsburgh, PA,

served their country while making history in the process. The Charles Wesley Peters Humanitarian was awarded to LeRoy Homer, and accepted by his wife, Melodie Homer.

"I thank the Poise Foundation for recognizing not only LeRoy, but the Tuskegee Airmen. They stood strong, fearless and powerful. This is truly an honor."

As the cost of flight training and jet fuel continue to escalate, we have only been able to award one scholarship each year for the past three years. Your continued support will help more individuals to pursue their dream of an aviation career.



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## **How You Can Help:**

### **Supporting The LeRoy W. Homer Jr. Foundation**

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**1-800-388-1647**

The LeRoy W. Homer Jr. Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization which encourages and supports young adults who wish to pursue careers as professional pilots, by awarding flight scholarships to obtain private pilot certification.

Cheryl Homer Wilson

Executive Director

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- **Include The Foundation in your company-based United Way donation. If you support another charitable organization, it is possible to split your contribution between more than one organization. Contact the United Way of Burlington County for more information.**
- **Selling something on eBay? You can donate all or a portion of the proceeds to The Foundation. Email us for more information.**
- **If your employer has a matching program for charitable donations, consider having these funds donated to The Foundation.**
- **You can now donate to The Foundation online through [www.NetworkforGood.org](http://www.NetworkforGood.org) or [www.sixdegrees.org](http://www.sixdegrees.org).**
- **We are always looking for volunteers. We will accept as little or as much time as you can offer us.**

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