Hugh Harris Scholarship

- My Purpose
 - Provide annual update to the membership
 - Review/Inform membership on application procedures
 - Solicit your continued support by
 - Identifying qualified applicants
 - Providing continued financial support

Purpose of Scholarship

- Memorialize Hugh Harris
- Provide Financial Assistance to Eligible Students
- Encourage Interest in:
 Science/Engineering/Technology/Mathematics (STEM)

Educational Crisis

- In 30 Years US Public Education Dropped from No. 1 in the World to No. 29
- All-STEM Degrees (% of total awarded)

◆S. Korea: 37.8%

♦ Mexico: 28.1%

♦ US: 17.6% (Engineering 5%)

Scholarship Status

- Established in 1991: Goal \$50K, to be self sustaining
 - Funds Administered by NDIA HQ.
- First Scholarship Awarded in 1992
 - One \$1000 Award in '92
 - Awarded \$74K to date
- This year's winners (\$1000 Awards):
 - Gerrod Voigt: MIT/Chemical Engineering
 - Eric Demkowicz: University of Florida/Civil Engineering
 - Andrew Howes: Case Western Reserve/Biomedical Engineering
 - Chason Reynolds: Florida State University/Biology
 - Malik Williams: Birmingham Southern/Mechanical Engineering
 - Aleksandra Smirnova: University of W. Florida/Civil Engineering

Scholarship Schedule

- 20 January: Members identify applicants
- 1 February: Mail info packets to applicants
- 15 March: Applications to Scholarship Committee
- 1 April: Scholarship Committee ranks applicants
- 10 April: Executive Committee determines number/amount of scholarships
- Early August: NDIA issues scholarship grants

Eligibility

- Be a US Citizen
- High school senior or graduate
- Applied to/enrolled in accredited 4 year college
- Pursuing STEM career
 - ◆ Science
 - ◆ Technical: Physics, Chemistry
 - ◆ Engineering: Aerospace, Chemical, Civil, Computer, Electrical, Industrial, Mechanical, Software
 - ♦ Mathematics

Eligibility (continued)

- Nominated by Targets/Ranges/UAV Division member (individual or corporate)
- Nominated by Gulf Coast Chapter
- Recipients of full scholarships (military academy, ROTC, etc.) are ineligible
- Enrollments in 2-year community colleges are ineligible
- Complete by-laws & applications are available at:
 - http://www.ndiagulfcoast.com/scholarship/scholarship.htm

Your Responsibilities

- Identify Potential Applicants/Request Applications
- Notify Scholarship Committee

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