

**AWARD &SCHOLARSHIP Committee Report
2014 Fall Board Meeting October 13&14, 2014**

Micki Crider from Kentucky is the new NASCOE Awards/Scholarship Chairperson for 2014-2015. She replaces Tom Oasen from WI. **Betty Snell**, WA will remain the NWA Scholarship Chairperson and **Kim Royer, ID** remains the NWA Awards Chairperson for 2014-2015.

The Awards and Scholarship applications have not been update yet on the NASCOE website for the 2014-2015 NASCOE years. Assuming no major changes the Chairman summarized Awards and Scholarship available to SDASCOE Members this year.

Nominations for the **2015 Distinguished Service Awards** for Service to Agriculture, Service to Community and Service to SDASCOE / NASCOE are now being accepted thru **February 1, 2015.**

Two Scholarship Programs are available to NASCOE Members for themselves, their children, spouse or legal dependant(s), providing that all other eligibility requirements are met and the scholarship application is completed by the **March 1st deadline.**

- (1) **Traditional NASCOE Scholarship Program:** One \$1500 scholarship will be awarded in the Northwest Area. The winner will then be eligible for the National NASCOE \$2500 scholarship.
- (2) **NASCOE Continuing Education/Collegiate Education Scholarship Program:** Must be either member based on ASCS/FSA experience, course attending or currently enrolled to attend, and a short essay explaining how this continuing education will further their career within FSA and/or member or student of member in their 2nd though 5th year of college working for a bachelors degree. There will only be one national scholarship winner \$1000.00.

Detailed eligibility information and fillable nomination and application forms for each of the three Distinguished Service awards and both Scholarships will be available at the NASCOE Website.

Extra Mile Award is available to any member and there children who have “gone the extra mile” for their community, their church, their school, or their State, Area, or National association at anytime during the year. There is no deadline for this award. Nomination forms will be available on the NASCOE website.

The Chairperson is requesting suggestion in how to get more members to attend the SDASCOE convention so they can be present to receive their well earn Sick Leave awards and be recognized for their Years of Service. This past convention less than 10% of the members receiving these awards were in attendance.

**Respectfully submitted by,
Larry Somsen, Chairperson of Awards & Scholarship Committee**