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Dover Youth to be Honored
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George T. Antoniou, 17, of Dover, Delaware will receive the Youth Aviation Achievement Award at the Delaware Aviation Hall of Fame (DAHf) annual Honors Banquet on September 25 at UD's Clayton Hall. The annual award is made to a Delaware youth between the ages of 17 and 21 years who has distinguished himself/herself in pursuit of a career in aviation and/or impressive involvements in aviation activities. To date, nine youths have received the annual award.

Young Antoniou , son of Tom and Vicki Antoniou, is a rising senior at Polytech High School (PHS) in Dover and has impressively demonstrated his passion for and achievements in aviation through academic superiority, excellent leadership abilities and outstanding character.

As a participant in the PHS Aerospace Science Technical Program, Antoniou earned his private pilot certificate as a junior, one year ahead of schedule which was unheard of in the program. He completed the impressive and aggressive private pilot training schedule at the Dover Air Force Base Aero Club and was highly recommended to train for the instrument rating which he began this past June, the first junior ever to begin instrument training.

He is an active member of the Delaware Civil Air Patrol (CAP) where he is a flight captain. In the PHS Air Force Junior ROTC, he is Commander of the 931st Panther Group where he leads 100-plus cadets. He is also a winner of the Air Force Association Award.

Antoniou's goal is to achieve an appointment to the U.S. Air Force Academy (USAFA), receive a commission and become an Air Force pilot. Toward this goal, he attended the highly selective USAFA Summer Seminar this year. Apart from aviation, young Antoniou has a PHS cumulative grade point average of 98.1 and ranks # 1 of 268 students. He is a member of the National Honor Society, the PHS marching band, drama club and tennis team. It certainly appears that he is well on his way to a successful career in aviation.

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