IAFC FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES 2018 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

The International Association of Fire Chiefs Foundation (IAFCF), committed to strengthening future leaders through higher education, announces its 2018 Scholarship award recipients. The Foundation is pleased to award forty-six (46) scholarships for 2018. This was made possible by the contributions and support of IAFC Foundation donors. Recipients of IAFC Foundation named scholarships are:

- **The Arthur J. Glatfelter Memorial Scholarships**, made possible by a generous endowment from the Glatfelter Insurance Group and VFIS, are presented to **Division Chief Ryan McLean**, Poudre Fire Authority in Colorado, **Battalion Chief Jonathan Smith**, Stockton Fire Department in California and **Battalion Chief Reginald Williams**, San Jose Fire Department in California.

- **The Garry L. Briese Scholarship**, made possible with support from the Motorola Solutions Foundation, is presented to **Assistant Chief Michael Marino**, Prince George’s County Fire and EMS Department in Maryland.

- **The John M. Buckman, III Scholarship**, honors Chief John Buckman and reserved for a volunteer furthering their fire service education, is presented to **Firefighter Scott VanPatten**, El Dorado Fire Department & Butler County Rescue Squad in Kansas.

- **The Chief Charles A. “Chet” Henry Memorial Scholarship**, made possible with support from VFIS, for exceptional commitment to public service, is presented to **Firefighter Matthew Vanderweel**, Northbrook Fire Department in Illinois.

- **IAFC President’s Scholarship**, honors IAFC Presidents and their support for aspiring leaders in the fire and emergency services, is presented to **Engineer Casey Jones**, Little Rock Fire Department in Arkansas.

- **The Heather Westphal Memorial Scholarship**, created in memory of the IAFC’s Membership Marketing Manager and benefiting women in the fire service, is presented to **Training Captain Lindsay Judah**, Clermont Fire Department in Florida.

In addition, the following individuals will receive educational scholarships:

- **Jason Albers**, Lieutenant, Eden Prairie Fire Department (MN)
- **Brent Aversano**, Firefighter, Northbrook Fire Department (IL)
- **Phillip Benak**, Firefighter, Shawnee Fire Department (KS)
- **Peter Bendinelli**, Deputy Fire Chief, Calumet City Fire Department (IN)
• Matthew Brown, Firefighter, Miami Township Fire & EMS (OH)
• Alexander Carrow, Deputy Fire Chief, Clayton Fire Company (DE)
• Frank Chojnacki, Firefighter, Homer Township Fire Protection District (IL)
• Scott Clark, Captain, Cosumnes Fire Department (CA)
• Clint Cunz, Battalion Chief, Elk Grove Village Fire Department (IL)
• Gerald DiNunzio, Jr., Deputy Chief, Goshen Fire Company (PA)
• Danny Eades, Battalion Chief, Nicholasville Fire Department (KY)
• Dustin Fiscus, Captain, Central Jackson County Fire Protection District (MO)
• Nathan Gac, Battalion Chief, Elk Grove Village Fire Department (IL)
• Derrick Llewellyn, Captain, Central Jackson County Fire Protection District (MO)
• Shaughn Maxwell, Deputy Chief, South Snohomish County Fire and Rescue (WA)
• Joseph McClimon, Lieutenant, Nassau County Fire & Rescue (FL)
• Randall McCreadie, Deputy Chief, Fairfield Fire Department (OH)
• Robert Morgan, Captain, Edwardsville Fire Department (IL)
• Trey Nelms, Assistant Chief, Pleasant View Volunteer Fire Department (TN)
• Joseph Nieman, Captain, Effingham Fire Department (IL)
• Robert Patton, Lieutenant, Nassau County Fire & Rescue (FL)
• James Ray, Battalion Chief, Tuscaloosa Fire Rescue Service (AL)
• Leslie Reed, Jr., Battalion Chief, Orange County Fire Rescue Department (FL)
• Anthony Rios, Division Chief, Orange County Fire Rescue (FL)
• Michael Rutkowski, Battalion Chief, Grayslake Fire Protection District (IL)
• Sidney Shoaf, Chief of Training, High Point Fire Department (NC)
• Mark Smith, Captain, Central Jackson County Fire Protection District (MO)
• David Spencer, Battalion Chief, Orange County Fire Authority (CA)
• Cameron Stewart, Lieutenant, Shoreline Fire Department (WA)
• Greg Temp, Captain, La Crosse Fire Department (WI)
• Russell Thompson, Fire Chief, Greenville Fire Department (OH)
• Louis Wortel, Engineer, Chicago Heights (IL)

Fire Explorer Scholarship awards:

• Seth Keeling, Explorer Post 20 (IL)
• Daniela Pasquarello, Explorer Post 250 (NY)
• Leigh Snyder, Explorer Post 717 (OH)
• Faith Tomasini, Explorer Post 7247 (CA)
• Matthew Wilson, Explorer Post 714 (NY)
• Colton Wiseman, Explorer Post 911 (TX)
“The Foundation is pleased to assist these dedicated men and women in pursuing higher education to further strengthen their careers as fire and emergency services professionals,” stated Anthony P. Campisi, IAFCF President and President/CEO of Glatfelter Insurance Group.

The IAFC Foundation provides scholarships that make it possible for fire and EMS first responders to access the advanced learning opportunities necessary to prepare for today’s complex world. The scholarship awards made by the IAFC Foundation impact the fire service and communities by providing first responders with the educational opportunities they need to lead the fire service and serve and protect our citizens.

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