

## 2010 IFCA Foundation Scholarship Awards

The 2010 Scholarship Program sponsored by the Illinois Fire Chiefs Association Educational & Research Foundation recently named the recipients of its 2010 grants. A total of 100 scholarships were recently announced at the Illinois Fire Chiefs Association Annual Symposium held in Peoria, Illinois. The monetary value of this year's grants totaled \$76,500.00.

The Foundation Board of Directors extend their gratitude to the many varied groups and individuals who have supported this worthwhile program. We also thank the many individuals who applied. We encourage those who applied, but were not selected, to continue in their educational endeavors.

The following is a synopsis of the 2010 Program.

<b>Total Applications:</b>	327	<b>Types Applied For:</b>		<b>Department Status:</b>	
<b>Number of Grants Funded:</b>	100	2 Yr. College	90	(33)*	Paid 279 (84)*
<b>Number of Grants Awarded:</b>	100	4 Yr. College	83	(33)*	POC / Vol. 48 (16)*
		Masters Degree	41	(14)*	
		Doctoral	0	(0)*	
		Other	44	(11)*	
		Certification	69	(9)*	

\* Number Awarded

<b>Foundation Sponsored Grants:</b>	<b>Outside Donations:</b>	<b>Foundation Matching:</b>	<b>Other:</b>	<b>Total:</b>
\$7,500.00	\$33,000.00	\$33,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$76,500.00

The following are this year's recipients.

### \$2,000.00 Grant:

Jerome P. Burke Scholarship      **Gregory P. Formica, Grayslake FD**  
North Park Univ. / MBA;  
(Foundation)

### \$1,000.00 Grants:

Michael Dalton Memorial	<b>Christina J. Fazio, Bolingbrook FD;</b> Columbia Southern Univ. / BA; (Foundation)	Eugene Baker Memorial <i>(Ret. Director. IL Professional Firefighters)</i>	<b>Nathan W. Skewes, Waukegan FD;</b> Columbia Southern Univ. / BS; Illinois Professional Firefighters Assn. (MG)
Harvey C. Carothers, Jr. Memorial <i>(Palatine FD)</i>	<b>Angela M. Rausch, Barrington FD;</b> College of DuPage / AAS; (Foundation)	John P. "Murph" Cadagin Memorial	<b>Jon J. Hultman, Brookfield FD;</b> Southern Illinois Univ. / BS; Illinois Professional Firefighters Assn. (MG)
Chief R.S. "Rocky" Rockenbach Memorial	<b>Christian C. Ganz, Lemont FPD;</b> Southern Illinois Univ. / BS; (Chief R.S. "Rocky" Rockenbach Charitable Fund)	Chief John Helfert Memorial <i>(Carpentersville &amp; Countryside FPD, Ret.)</i>	<b>Ronald J. Echtenacher, Countryside FPD;</b> Southern Illinois Univ. / BS; Volunteer Firemen's Ins. Services/ Midwest (MG)
Robert Little Memorial	<b>Joseph J. Leone, Addison FPD;</b> Southern Illinois Univ. / BS; Volunteer Firemen's Ins. Services/ Midwest (MG)	Shirley Miller Memorial <i>(IL Assn. of FPD Administrative Secretary)</i>	<b>Richard A. May, Palatine Rural FPD;</b> Northern Illinois Univ. / BS; Volunteer Firemen's Ins. Services/Midwest (MG)
Richard Thompson Memorial <i>(Countryside FPD)</i>	<b>Christopher R. Jostes, Bolingbrook FD;</b> Columbia Southern Univ.; BS; Volunteer Firemen's Ins. Services/ Midwest (MG)	Paul Conway Scholarship <i>(President, Paul Conway Shields)</i>	<b>Joseph M. Falaschetti, Elmwood FPD;</b> Moraine Valley Comm. College / AAS; Raffle Proceeds from the IFCA 59 <sup>th</sup> Annual Conference (MG)
Arthur J. Glatfelter Scholarship <i>(Chairman of the Board – VFIS)</i>	<b>William G. Pederson, Rockford FD;</b> Upper Iowa Univ. / BS; Volunteer Firemen's Ins. Services/ Midwest (MG)	Chief John Eversole Memorial <i>(Chicago FD, Ret.)</i>	<b>Patrick S. Fortunato, Hoffman Estates FD;</b> Northern Illinois Univ. / BS; (Foundation)
Richard P. Fisher Memorial <i>(Downers Grove Estates FPD)</i>	<b>Benjamin F. Rittenhouse, Wonder Lake FPD;</b> Western Illinois Univ. / BOT-BA; Volunteer Firemen's Ins. Services/ Midwest. (MG)	Armin Korthauer Memorial <i>(Bensenville FD, Ret.)</i>	<b>Michael R. Wilson, Loves Park FD;</b> Rock Valley College / AAS; Bensenville Firemen's Assn. (MG)

William Renaker Memorial (Rescue Program Dir., IFSI)	<b>Timothy J. Metcalf, Effingham FD;</b> IFSI / Training; Illinois Fire Service Institute (MG)	Chief John Hojek Memorial (Evergreen Park FD, Ret.)	<b>James R. Richardson, Lisle-Woodridge FPD;</b> Eastern Kentucky Univ. / BS; Evergreen Park Firefighters, Inc. (MG)
Joseph Samec Memorial	<b>Chad A. Tinsley, Barrington FD;</b> Southern Illinois Univ. / BS; Pleasantview Fire Protection Dist. (MG)	Jerome Srejma Memorial	<b>Kevin L. Uthe, Homer Twp. FPD;</b> Columbia Southern Univ. / BS; Pleasantview Fire Protection Dist. (MG)
Capt. Robert Murphy, Jr. Memorial (Evergreen Park FD))	<b>James E. Weaver, Lisle-Woodridge FPD;</b> Benedictine Univ. / AABA; Evergreen Park Firefighter's Inc. (MG)	Gary Michalek Memorial	<b>Leigh D. Unger, Norwood Park FD;</b> Southern Illinois Univ. / MS; Pleasantview FPD (MG)
Fire/Medic Todd Burke Memorial (Frankford FPD)	<b>Jake A. Zlomie, Wilmington FPD;</b> Oklahoma State Univ. / BS; Frankfort Firefighters Assn. (MG)	Batt. Chief William E. Bonnar, Sr. Memorial (Orland FPD)	<b>Amanda R. Scheller, Naperville FD;</b> Lewis Univ. / MS; MABAS Division 19 (MG)
Captain Richard Holman Memorial (Frankfort FD)	<b>Ryan A. Schmeckpeper, Bolingbrook FD;</b> Joliet Jr. College / AAS Frankfort Firefighters Assn (MG)	Andrew Fredericks Memorial (IFSA Field Staff Instructor, FDNY FF)	<b>Patricia R. Smith, Sullivan FPD;</b> Illinois Fire Service Institute / Training; Illinois Fire Service Institute (MG)
Ray Marquardt Memorial (Orland Park FPD)	<b>Shawn C. Bloemker, Godfrey FPD;</b> Southern Illinois Univ. / BS; Illinois Professional FF Assn (MG)	Chief Larry Walsh, Ret. Scholarship (Past Chairman, IFSA)	<b>Leith G. Crowther, Joliet FD;</b> Lewis Univ. / MS Illinois Fire Service Assn (MG)
Illinois Society of Fire Service Instructors Scholarship	<b>Brain M. Rohrbacher, Rutland-Dundee FPD;</b> Southern Illinois Univ. / BS; Illinois Society of Fire Service Instructors (MG)	Chief Kerry Sheridan Memorial	<b>John E. Coburn, Matteson FD;</b> Southern Illinois Univ. / BS Des Plaines Valley MABAS Div. 15 Assn (MG)
Illinois Society of Fire Service Instructors Scholarship	<b>Daniel C. Smith, Skokie FD;</b> Southern Illinois Univ./ BS; Illinois Society of Fire Service Instructors (MG)	Ottosen Britz Kelly Cooper & Gilbert, Ltd. Scholarship	<b>Ramona L. Baldoni-Lake, Harlem-Roscoe FPD;</b> American Public Univ./ BA; OTBKC&G (MG)
James T. Berggren Memorial (IFSI Field Staff Instructor)	<b>Robert S. Micek, Jr. Oak Brook FD;</b> Illinois Fire Service Institute / Training; Illinois Fire Service Institute (MG)	Lieutenant Pete Lund Memorial (IFSI Field Staff Instructor)	<b>Michael M. Torres, Homewood FPD;</b> Illinois Fire Service Institute / Training; Illinois Fire Service Institute (MG)
Gerald M. Monigold Memorial (Director, IFSI)	<b>Robert D. Wilson, Frankfort FPD;</b> Governor's State Univ. / MPA; Illinois Fire Service Institute (MG)	Deputy Chief Jerry Tonne Memorial (Lombard FD, Ret.)	<b>Frank B. Jareczek, Lemont FPD;</b> Benedictine Univ. / MBA; MABAS (MG)
MABAS Division 20 Scholarship	<b>Robert J. Gramlich, Tri-State FPD;</b> Benedictine Univ. / MBA; MABAS Div. 20 (MG)	FF / Trustee Lawrence "Larry" Atkinson Memorial	<b>Brain K. Adcock, Frankfort FPD;</b> Columbia Southern Univ. / AAS Winfield Voluntary Fire Dept. Inc. (MG)
Illinois Fire Chiefs Association Scholarship	<b>Michael R. Kaspar, Roberts Park FPD;</b> Illinois Fire Chiefs Assn / Training Foundation (MG)	Dean Mercer Memorial (IFSI Field Staff Instructor)	<b>Frank A. Repposh, Villa Park FD;</b> Illinois Fire Service Institute / Training Illinois Fire Service Institute (MG)
John P. Leddin Memorial (Trustee, Orland FPD)	<b>Robert F. Buhs, New Lenox FPD;</b> Governor's State Univ. / MPA; Friends & Family of Jack Leddin (MG)	NICOR Gas Scholarship	<b>David J. DuVall, Dolton FD;</b> Lewis Univ. / MPA; NICOR Gas (MG)
Trustee Robert Hopp Memorial (South Elgin FPD, Ret.)	<b>Michael E. Hartwig, Bloomington FD;</b> Western Illinois Univ. / BA; So. Elgin FPD (MG)	Michael King Memorial (son of Chief William. King, Ret., Sugar Grove FPD)	<b>Steven L. Bradley, Western Springs FD;</b> Columbia Southern Univ. / BS; Friends and Family of Michael T. King (MG)
Chief Jerry Seyler Memorial (Pingree Grove FPD, Ret.)	<b>Eric R. Bruning, German Valley FD;</b> Columbia Southern Univ. / BS; Kane Cty. Fire Chiefs Assn (MG)	Metropolitan Fire Chiefs Assn Scholarship	<b>Jeffrey J. Allenspach, Tri-State FPD;</b> Benedictine Univ. / MBA; Metropolitan Fire Chiefs Assn (MG)
Deputy Chief Jerry Tonne Memorial (Lombard FD, Ret.)	<b>Earl M. Matrevec, Skokie FD;</b> Governor's State Univ. / MPA; MABAS (MG)	Metropolitan Fire Chiefs Assn Scholarship	<b>Matthew A. Burleson, Waukegan FD;</b> American Military Univ. / MA; Metropolitan Fire Chiefs Assn (MG)
MABAS Div. 27 / WILCO Fire Chiefs Assn. Scholarship	<b>Frank D. DiGiovanni, Jr., Bolingbrook FD;</b> Columbia Southern Univ. / BA; MABAS Div. 27/ WILCO Fire Chiefs Assn (MG)	Joel Mendoza Memorial	<b>Michael J. McMillan, Oak Lawn FD;</b> Governor's State Univ. / MPA Southside F.O.O.L.S. (MG)

Rodney "Rocky" Rockenbach Memorial	<b>Ralph E. DeFreece, Bartlett FPD;</b> Eastern Kentucky Univ. / BS; Lake County Fire Chiefs Assn. (MG)	Jeffrey T. Herrick Memorial ( <i>West Dundee FD</i> )	<b>Daniel T. Kline, Decatur FD;</b> Jacksonville State Univ. / MS West Dundee FD (MG)
William E. Andres, Sr. Memorial ( <i>Arlington Heights FD</i> )	<b>Brian D. Thompson, Sycamore FD;</b> Southern Illinois Univ. / BS Andres Medical Billing (MG)	Lake County Fire Chiefs Assn. Scholarship	<b>Donald L. Golubski, Lake Zurich Fire/Rescue;</b> Columbia Southern Univ. / BS; Lake County Fire Chiefs Assn (MG)
William E. Andres, Jr. ( <i>Arlington Heights FD, Ret. and Founder of Andres Medical Billing</i> )	<b>Brian R. Gumprecht, So. Elgin FPD;</b> Elgin Comm. College / AAS Andres Medical Billing (MG)	Battalion Chief Patrick Foley Memorial ( <i>Darien-Woodridge FPD</i> )	<b>Patrick Brenn, Tri-State FPD;</b> Anna Maria College, MPA: Darien-Woodridge FPD/Darien-Woodridge Professional FF Local 3437 (MG)
<b><u>\$500.00 Grants:</u></b>			
Stephen William Licht, Jr. Memorial ( <i>Infant son of Stephen William Licht, Naperville FD</i> )	<b>Andrew M. Skic, Mount Prospect FD;</b> Harper College / AAS; Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Licht (MG)	Walter Pfaff Memorial ( <i>Frankfort FPD</i> )	<b>Adams J. Mullendore, Roselle FD;</b> College of DuPage / Training; Frankfort Firefighters Assn. (MG)
Michael Garcia Memorial	<b>Ryan A. Jandura, Channahon FPD;</b> Joliet Jr. College / AAS; Chief Tom Freeman (MG)	Chief Elmore "Al" Harker Memorial ( <i>Oak Lawn FD, Ret.</i> )	<b>Michael D. Buckel, Hoffman Estates FD;</b> Columbia Southern Univ. / AAS; Mary Lou Harker (MG)
Beverly Burke Memorial ( <i>Wife of Past IFCA Exec. Dir. Jerry Burke</i> )	<b>Neil W. Grove, Park Forest FD;</b> Illinois Fire Chiefs Assn / Training; Jerome Burke (MG)	Bruce Spaulding Memorial ( <i>Bourbonnais FPD</i> )	<b>Joseph A. Ragle, Havana Rural FD;</b> McHenry County College / AAS; Bruce Spaulding Memorial Scholarship Foundation. (MG)
DuPage County Fire Chiefs Association Scholarship	<b>Matthew S. Brown, Braidwood FD;</b> Joliet Jr. College / AAS; DuPage County Fire Chiefs Assn. (MG)	Bruce Spaulding Memorial ( <i>Bourbonnais FPD</i> )	<b>Joel A. Verbrick, Waukegan FD;</b> Gateway Technical College, AAS; Bruce Spaulding Memorial Scholarship Foundation. (MG)
DuPage County Fire Chiefs Association Scholarship	<b>Jerry D. Caskey, Lovers Park FD;</b> Rock Valley College / AAS; DuPage County Fire Chiefs Assn. (MG)	FF Terrence Lydon Memorial ( <i>Evergreen Park FD</i> )	<b>Antonio Stefanelli, Blue Island FD;</b> Joliet Jr. College / AAS; Evergreen Park Firefighters, Inc. (MG)
DuPage County Fire Chiefs Association Scholarship	<b>Mark A. Cacchione, Wilmette FD;</b> Harper College / AAS; DuPage County Fire Chiefs Assn. (MG)	Lt. Charles Leitelt Memorial ( <i>Evergreen FD</i> )	<b>Carolyn R. Gray, Park Forest FD;</b> Prairie State College / AAS; Evergreen Park Firefighters, Inc. (MG)
Rich "Digger" Doubek Memorial ( <i>Mount Prospect Vol. Fire Dept.</i> )	<b>Michael A. Brown, Barrington FD;</b> Sauk Valley Comm. College / AAS; Mount Prospect FD (MG)	Illinois Fire Service Administrative Professionals Scholarship	<b>Kimberly J. Putnam, New Lenox FPD;</b> Joliet Jr. College / AAS; (Foundation)
Burnett Schramm Memorial ( <i>Frankfort FD</i> )	<b>Derek L. Sailliez, West Frankfort FD;</b> Illinois Fire Service Institute / Training; Frankfort Firefighters Assn. (MG)	Illinois Fire Service Administrative Professionals Scholarship	<b>Tracy M. Beyer, Crystal Lake Fire/Rescue;</b> Benedictine Univ. / BAM; (Foundation)
Chief James Metzger, Ret. Memorial ( <i>Hillside FD</i> )	<b>Brandon J. Kirner, Homer Twp. FPD;</b> Southwest United Fire District / Training; Friends of Jim Metzger (MG)	Graham & Jacob Moore Memorial (Infant sons of Chief James & Nanette Moore, Crystal Lake Fire/Rescue)	<b>David B. Kaltenbach, Crystal Lake Fire/Rescue;</b> McHenry County College / AAS; Chief James & Nanette Moore (MG)
D/C Roger DeWert Scholarship ( <i>Mount Prospect Vol. FD</i> )	<b>Larry L. Simmons, Bristol-Kendall FD;</b> Illinois Fire Service Institute / Training; Mount Prospect Vol. FD (MG)	Deputy Chief Paul E. Brown Memorial ( <i>Libertyville FD, Ret.</i> )	<b>Richard L. Wilson, Bartlett FPD;</b> Eastern Kentucky Univ. / BS; Family of D/C Paul E. Brown, Ret. (MG)
Cletus Nockels Memorial ( <i>Chicago FD, Ret.</i> )	<b>Matthew E. Coppock, Roselle FD;</b> College of DuPage / Training; McHenry County Fire Chiefs Assn. (MG)	Newark Fire Protection District Scholarship	<b>Michael K. Bosco, Hoffman Estates FD;</b> Moraine Valley Comm. College, AAS; Newark FPD (MG)
Tom O'Connell Fire Sprinkler Scholarship	<b>Brain C. Jones, Mundelein FD;</b> Southern Illinois Univ. / BS; No. Illinois Fire Sprinkler Advisory Board	Tom O'Connell Fire Sprinkler Scholarship	<b>Jeffrey R. Koch, Waukegan FD;</b> Univ. of Wisconsin / BS; No. Illinois Fire Sprinkler Advisory Board
John & Dorothy Wanda Memorial ( <i>Evergreen Park FD</i> )	<b>Jeremy B. Cole, Dolton FD;</b> Illinois Fire Service Institute / Training; Evergreen Park Firefighters, Inc. (MG)	Robert E. Buhs Memorial ( <i>Father of IFCA Director Robert Buhs</i> )	<b>Daniel P. Teson, Algonquin-LITH FPD;</b> McHenry Comm. College / AAS; McHenry County Fire Chiefs Assn. (MG)
Roy P. and Bernice Weiss Memorial	<b>Michael J. Swiontek, Gurnee FD;</b> Illinois Fire Chiefs Assn / Training; Family and Friends of Roy P. and Bernice Weiss (MG)	Fire Inspectors of the State of Illinois Scholarship	<b>Timothy R. McGannon, Calumet City FD;</b> Prairie State College / AAS; Northern Illinois Fire Inspectors Assn. (MG)

Doug Antoine Memorial	<b>Roger D. Bayne, Jr., Addison FPD;</b> College of DuPage / AAS; Illinois Fire Store (MG)	Public Educators of the State of Illinois Scholarship	<b>Justin R. Hubbard, Libertyville FD;</b> College of Lake County / AAS; Northern Illinois Fire Inspectors Assn. (MG)
MABAS Div. 21 Scholarship	<b>Robert J. Winkelman, Orland FPD;</b> Benedictine Univ./ AABA; MABAS Div. 21 (MG)	Lonnie Jackson Fire Prevention Scholarship <i>(Illinois Fire Inspectors Assn)</i>	<b>Shane N. Koeneman, Palatine FD;</b> Illinois Fire Inspectors Assn / Fire Prevention Officer; No. Illinois Fire Sprinkler Advisory Board
MABAS Div. 21 Scholarship	<b>Ryne J. McNally, Lake Egypt FPD;</b> Logan Comm. College / AAS; MABAS Div. 21 (MG)	Lonnie Jackson Fire Prevention Scholarship <i>(Illinois Fire Inspectors Assn)</i>	<b>Jacob T. Campbell, Pontiac Fire/Rescue;</b> Illinois Fire Service Institute /Fire Prevention Officer; No. Illinois Fire Sprinkler Advisory Board
Environmental Safety Group, Inc. Scholarship	<b>Charles T. Teson, Algonquin-LITH FPD;</b> McHenry Comm. College /AAS; Environmental Safety Group, Inc. (MG)	Paul Conway Scholarship <i>(President, Paul Conway Shields)</i>	<b>Craig T. Allen, Algonquin-LITH FPD;</b> McHenry Comm. College / AAS; Raffle Proceeds from the IFCA 59 <sup>th</sup> Annual Conference (MG)
Frankfort Firefighter's Assn Scholarship	<b>Andrew S. Favero, Braidwood FD;</b> Joliet Jr. College / AAS; Frankfort Firefighters Assn (MG)	Fire Service Women of Illinois Scholarship	<b>David A. Neibert, Calumet City FD;</b> Illinois Fire Service Institute / Training; Fire Service Women of Illinois (MG)
Winnebago Fire Chiefs Assn Scholarship	<b>Stuart J. Schiber, Hartford FD;</b> Western Illinois Univ. / BS; Winnebago Fire Chiefs Assn (MG)	Orville "Chink" Schinkowski Memorial <i>(Frankfort FD)</i>	<b>Jeffrey A. Welch, Waukegan FD;</b> Univ. of Wisconsin College / AAS; Frankfort Firefighters Assn (MG)
Illinois Fire Chiefs Assn Educational and Research Foundation Scholarship	<b>Eric R. Perez, Wonder Lake FPD;</b> McHenry Comm. College / AAS; IFCA Foundation		

**Fire Officer Certification Classes Awarded By the Illinois Fire Chiefs Assn  
Educational and Research Foundation**

IFCA – Fire Officer III	<b>Robert F. Copp, Blue Island FD</b>
IFCA – Fire Officer II	<b>Justin J. Balcer, Bolingbrook FD</b>
IFCA – Fire Officer II	<b>Patrick D. Sherlock, Westchester FD</b>
IFCA – Fire Officer I	<b>John R. Kruse, Jr., Waukegan FD</b>