AFSS North

Administrative Fire Services Section, a section of California Fire Chiefs Association

Carol Abraham Memorial Scholarships

Administrative Fire Services Section (AFSS) provides opportunities to its members to receive complimentary registration to the Annual Educational Forum.

Each year, AFSS Northern and Southern Divisions alternate hosting the educational forum for its members and guests. Participants are introduced to new tools, techniques and ideas to meet current administrative challenges. AFSS Northern Board feels that this event is very important for all members and understands the diversified financial challenges that may prohibit you from participating. Each year, scholarships are budgeted for the next fiscal year. In Sept. 2004, membership approved an additional scholarship based on attendance at the quarterly trainings. December quarterly training raffle proceeds may fund an additional scholarship.

Scholarships cover registration fees only. You are responsible for lodging and travel expenses. The scholarship must be used in the current fiscal year and cannot be carried over to the next conference. If the selected, and confirmed, scholarship recipient has already paid for registration fees, AFSS will reimburse the member or their agency. Scholarship applications must be submitted to the treasurer 10 days prior to the December quarterly training.

Budgeted scholarships will be randomly selected at the December quarterly meeting. For the First Time Attendee scholarship, three winning tickets will be randomly selected. Each ticket will be labeled 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the order drawn. If the member named in the 1st position cannot attend, the scholarship will automatically go to the 2nd and so on. For the Attendance scholarship, the recipient will be selected by random drawing at the December quarterly meeting. The member will have until January 15th to notify the Treasurer if s/he will attend the conference. If the recipient is unable to attend, the scholarship will be forfeited.

The following scholarships are available;

- First Time Attendee -- Carol Abraham Memorial Conference Scholarship (budgeted)
 AFSS members who have not attended an AFSS Educational Forum qualify to apply for this scholarship. At the
 December quarterly meeting, three names will be randomly drawn and labeled 1st, 2nd and 3rd. The scholarship is
 offered to the member whose name is drawn first.
- Attendance -- Carol Abraham Memorial Conference Scholarship (budgeted)

 Each AFSS member who attends a regularly scheduled quarterly meeting is eligible for this scholarship. The treasurer generates a raffle ticket for each member present at the March, June, September and December meeting.
- General Membership-- Carol Abraham Memorial Conference Scholarship (raffle proceeds)

 The Treasurer will announce at the December meeting if funds allow any scholarships. All AFSS Active and
 Associate members may apply for this scholarship. Completed application forms must be submitted to the Treasurer
 by January 1st. Three winning tickets will be randomly selected at the Jan. E-Board meeting. Each ticket will be
 labeled 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the order drawn. If the member named in the 1st position cannot attend, the scholarship
 will automatically go to the 2nd and so on.

United in our efforts, we strive to educate, lead and improve fire administrative services in California.



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Carol Abraham Memorial Scholarship 2020 First Time Attendee Application

Submit this form to be received no later than November 25, 2019							
Mail to: Clara Turner, AFSS North Treasurer c/o Central FPD, 930 17th Avenue, Santa Cruz, CA 95062							

AFSS North Carol Abraham Memorial Scholarship 2020 General Membership Application

Name:			
Agency: _			
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Phone:			

Submit this form to be received no later than January 1, 2020

Email to: Clarat@centralfpd.com

Mail to: Clara Turner, AFSS North Treasurer c/o Central FPD, 930 17th Avenue, Santa Cruz, CA 95062

Carol Abraham Scholarship

Carol Abraham joined the Kentfield Fire District in 1982 in the administrative office of the District. She served with great dedication and a smile every day, until her retirement in 2011. Carol was well respected by her peers and was very active during her tenure in the Administrative Services Section of the California Fire Chiefs Association.

Carol was a charter member of AFSS-North.

Carol was the first recipient of AFSS Northern Divisions' Member of the Year award. She was not the only person nominated, but most of the nominations were for her.

Carol was instrumental in starting the Professional Recognition Program. She, along with Shari Holmstrom and Marne Schreiber worked for years with Ronnie Coleman to get it going. At that time she was the Education and Training Coordinator, which is one of the most important roles in the organization.

Carol passed away on November 19, 2013 after a courageous battle with cancer.

From the December 2013 minutes:

Conference Scholarship Naming Proposal Linda Harlow requested that our First Time Attendee Scholarship, be renamed the Carol Abraham Scholarship. Sallie Ross-Filgo made a motion to accept the scholarship name change. Shawn Crawford second, all accepted. Valerie Erwin motioned that AFSS North donate \$100.00 to Hospice by the Bay in memory of Carol Abraham. All accepted.

Carol loved AFSS, and she was a friend to all. Those of us who knew her miss her huge smile, wonderful personality, and seeing her in her Christmas sweater at the December meetings.



Donations to the Carol Abraham Scholarship for AFSS enable a member to receive free conference registration for a 1st time attendance to a conference.

You can donate by purchasing raffle tickets at the December meetings!



