

2007 Scholarship Winners



\$4000 Scholarship

In the name of James L. Boyer, BFPE International

The 2007 recipient of the Fire Suppression systems Association Scholarship is Nicholas C. Eschner. Nick, a native of McHenry, Illinois is a junior in Oklahoma State University's Fire Protection and Safety Technology program. He has a 4.0 cumulative grade point average and is very active in student organizations where he is currently the president of the Society of Fire Protection Engineers, Vice President of the Fire Protection Society and treasurer of American Society of Safety Engineers. Nick has enhanced his education through internships. He has spent the past two summers working with the Winnetka Fire Department (Winnetka, IL). This summer he plans to intern with Rolf Jensen and Associates and the McHenry Township Fire Protection District (McHenry, IL). Nick will graduate a semester early to begin his pursuit of enhancing fire protection and life safety.

Nicholas C. Eschner
McHenry, IL



\$3500 Scholarship

In the name of Chuck Hooper, Ansul

Born in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Graduated from Bishop McGuiness High School in May, 2004. Currently a junior at Oklahoma State University in Stillwater, Oklahoma. Majoring in Fire Protection and Safety Engineering Technology. Member of President's Honor Role, Phi Delta Theta and Iota Kappa Honor Society.

Matthew Glen Boughton
Oklahoma City, OK



\$2000 Scholarship

I was born in Oklahoma where I have lived for the majority of my life, although I attended and graduated high school in Katy, Texas. I learned about the Fire Protection and Safety Technology degree program through my step-father who is an Oklahoma State graduate of the program. Through the experiences he shared with me and having friends in the fire emergency medical services I decided the degree would be a strong match for me. I enjoy many aspects of the degree and hope to fire protection and related tasks in the petroleum business, particularly in a refinery, upon graduation.

Lauren Taylor
Stillwater, OK



\$2000 Scholarship

I will be attending Eastern Kentucky University in the fall of 2007. I am a volunteer fire fighter at Tabernacle fire department in Trinity, North Carolina. I am highly involved in FFA and I am Vice President of my local chapter. I also swim and I am the captain of the men's varsity swim team at my school.

Brian Emory
Trinity, NC



\$500 Scholarship

Justin is a sophomore at the University of Maryland where he is majoring in Fire Protection Engineering. In 2004, Justin joined the Plainsboro Fire Company in his hometown of Plainsboro, New Jersey as volunteer firefighter, which began his interest in the field of fire protection engineering. He is also a certified emergency medical technician. Justin is currently a volunteer firefighter with the West Lanham Hills Volunteer Fire Department in Prince George's County, Maryland. He is also an intern at Rolf Jensen and Associates Fire Protection Consultants.

Justin Schwartz
Princeton Junction, NJ



\$500 Scholarship

I attended University School of Milwaukee thanks to my parents, both firefighters who worked double shifts to pay for my education. After school I volunteered with the Washington Township Volunteer Fire Department. It was there I obtained my Firefighter 2 certification. I gained valuable experience in my time serving the Washington Township community. Being a member of the fire department caused me to realize my passion for firefighting. I enrolled to Oklahoma State University and the Fire Protection and Safety Technology program. This past summer I was an intern for the North Shore Fire Department working primarily on their National Accreditation paperwork and self-assessment. I also developed a Code of Ethics and began writing their Standards of Coverage Goals document. During the fall semester I started as a lab assistant for the Hydraulics and Sprinklers classes here at OSU. I am also a volunteer for Ingalls Fire Protection District. I am concurrently enrolled in an Emergency Medical Technician course. It is a class that will aid me in becoming a full-time firefighter after graduation.

Jonathan Lund
Stillwater, OK