

## **Northern California Fire Mechanics Association - Don Wisinski Memorial Scholarship**

### **California Fire Mechanics Academy**

Don Wisinski was a member of the California Fire Mechanics Association (now California Fire Mechanics Academy) (CFMA) for many years. Don was the past President of the San Jose Fire Department Local 230. He served on the CFMA Academy Committee for 15 years and was Academy President for 2 years. Through Don's vision and leadership, he was instrumental in sending a member of the CA Fire Service Mechanics Sections to the NFPA 1901 validation committee as the first mechanic to be actively seated. Don went on to foster sending a key member of the CA Fire Mechanics sections to Washington, DC for attendance at the National Certification Commission to better serve the CA Fire Mechanics in writing certification tests for the CFMA.

The Don Wisinski annual scholarship shall be awarded to a member of the Northern Section of the California Fire Mechanics Association. Selection of the recipient shall be made by the Northern Section Board of Directors. The award shall include costs of tuition and all books needed for the classes as chosen by the winning candidate. Anyone interested in applying for the Don Wisinski Scholarship may contact any Board member for criteria and application forms.

### **Completed applications must be sent to the Northern Section by December 31st**

Applications will be considered on their own merit and may be considered even if all the allowing criteria may not be met.

#### **Criteria:**

Applicant must be a paid up member of the Northern Fire Mechanics Association (NCFMA) and has attended at least four meetings during the year.

All applications must be accompanied by a letter from the candidate's Fire Chief, Training Officer or direct supervisor, indicating the candidate has the Employer's permission to attend the Academy.

Applicant must have a minimum of 2 years of service maintaining and repairing emergency apparatus and has the intention of completing the tasks to attain or renew the next level of Fire Mechanics Certification.

#### **OR**

Is an operator/engineer for his fire department, has a minimum of 5 years in the fire service and wishes to attend the curriculum indicated firefighter oriented classes or the fire pump classes.

Applicant must have completed part of the requirements for the mechanic level to which he aspires.

Applicant has some of the ASE requirements necessary to that level and they are not past their renewal date.

#### **Submit completed application and permission letter to:**

**NCMFA**

**5 Meadow Lane**

**Redwood City, CA 94063**

**Or Via Email to: [board@ncfma.org](mailto:board@ncfma.org)**

# Application for Don Wisinski Memorial Scholarship

## Section One

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Phone:

Work \_\_\_\_\_

Home \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Department/Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Years Maintaining Fire Apparatus: \_\_\_\_\_

## Section Two (you may attach additional sheets as necessary)

List all Mechanics Certification Held (CFMA, EVT, ASE, other.) starting with your highest level cert:

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**List all Professional Affiliations:**

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**Section Three**

1. Provide the NCFMA Board of Directors with any additional information that you feel would help in making a decision about your application. Please include your personnel goals, education goals, career objectives, and any other item you might think is relevant? You may attach additional sheets if necessary.

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**Section Four**

Review Process. All applicants will be reviewed by the NCFMA Board of Directors in January. The one successful applicant will be notified in February and will be introduced at the annual CFMA banquet. The scholarship award shall include CFM Academy tuition, books and applicable college fees as approved by the California Fire Mechanics Academy Inc. Board of Directors.

Send completed application and permission letter, by December 31st, 2014 to:

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***Keep a copy for your records.***