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News Release

IAEM Scholarship Application Period Opens One Scholarship Named in Honor of Robert C. Bohlmann, CEM

May 22, 2017 (Falls Church, Va.) – The International Association of Emergency Managers (IAEM) Scholarship Program has opened the period for the 2017-2018 scholarship applications. The application period will close at 11:59 p.m. EDT, June 30, 2017. Applications are available at <http://www.iaem.com/scholarships>.

The IAEM Scholarship Program supports the future of emergency management by providing scholarships through a competitive process to full-time undergraduate and graduate students working towards degrees in emergency management, disaster management, or a closely related field of study. Since 2001, the program has provided \$88,000 in scholarships to 51 students.

Honoring Robert C. Bohlmann, CEM

The IAEM Scholarship Program grew through many years of leadership by its co-founder, Robert C. Bohlmann, CEM, who passed away November 2016. Bob left a legacy of knowledge and experience to the Scholarship Program. In his honor, an undergraduate scholarship has been established: The Robert C. Bohlmann, CEM Scholarship for Service in Emergency Management. This scholarship will be awarded for the first time this year to the undergraduate student who has the highest score under the scholarship rating system. Other undergraduate and graduate scholarships will be awarded as IAEM scholarships.

“We are proud to honor Bob by naming a scholarship after him,” said Anthony S. Mangeri, CEM, Scholarship Commission chair. “He devoted 17 years to developing and continuously improving the Scholarship Program with a keen sense that the goal was to nurture, promote and develop disaster preparedness by furthering the education of students. Bob’s presence will forever be felt in the Scholarship Program. When making decisions, the question that is always asked is: What would Bob do?”

Bob Bohlmann, CEM, a Lifetime IAEM member, served as a volunteer emergency management director for several communities during a 40-year period. He retired in 2011 as the emergency management director for York County, Maine. He served as adjunct faculty for FEMA’s Emergency Management Institute (1998-2007), Maine Emergency Management Agency, New Hampshire Fire Academy, and Maine Fire Service Institute. After his retirement from York County, he was a FEMA Disaster Assistance employee, where he continued to maintain currency within the emergency management profession. He was a highly skilled and sought-after assessor for the Emergency Management Accreditation Program (EMAP), where he served on a number of state and local emergency management onsite assessor teams for 10 years. Bob earned his Certified Emergency Manager credential in 1998 and maintained that credential throughout his life.

The Scholarship Commission welcomes [donations](#) in Bob’s name to further his mission.

IAEM is a nonprofit professional organization representing more than 4,600 emergency management and homeland security professionals for local communities, state and federal disaster officials, private sector, non-governmental organizations, and others involved in preparing for, responding to, and recovering from all types of disasters, including acts of terrorism. IAEM provides access to the largest network of emergency management experts who can provide advice and assistance; the Certified Emergency Manager/Associate Emergency Manager program; annual scholarships; a comprehensive monthly newsletter; and more.

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