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Fire Captain Awarded Scholarship

SPRINGFIELD, OH (July 16, 2019) — Springfield City Fire Rescue Captain Brian Leciejewski has been awarded a scholarship by the International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC), officials announced today.

Capt. Leciejewski is a recipient of the 2019 Arthur J. Glatfelter Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$2,500.

“I am both honored and humbled by this recognition,” said Leciejewski. “This is a prestigious scholarship program and the award will allow me to further my professional education, making me a more effective public servant and even better equipped to serve my community.”

This annual scholarship was established in 2014, a result of a generous endowment set up by the Glatfelter Insurance Group and VFIS. Mr. Glatfelter was an advocate for volunteer firefighters across the country and his insurance company is the largest provider of coverage for volunteer firefighters, according to the IAFC.

“The Glatfelter Memorial Scholarship award bestowed on Capt. Leciejewski is one of many reasons why I am proud to be part of this organization,” said Springfield Fire Rescue Division Chief Brian Miller. “Our fire division is one of the best-performing departments in the country, and that distinction comes from the hard work and dedication of people like Capt. Leciejewski.”

The objective of the Foundation’s scholarship is to assist recipients in pursuing a career in the fire sciences or other related academic programs, according to the IAFC. Leciejewski’s scholarship will apply to his continued education at Columbia Southern University.

The Springfield Fire Rescue Division protects lives and property in the community by providing professional, caring fire, EMS, and multi-hazard emergency services through leadership in providing professional safety services, resolving problems, supporting members and building the community.