

**Bonnie Ottino  
Education Memorial Award  
COVER SHEET**

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Title/Position in Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Years in Current Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Years at Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**If you are not an agency principal, please have your supervisor sign below.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Agency Principal

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**If you have questions call Barbara Hill at 925-381-9294**

**Please email, fax or mail completed cover sheet and application form to:**

**Email:** Barbara Hill [bahill48@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bahill48@sbcglobal.net)

**Fax: 925-680-1420**

**Mail:**

**IIAACCC - Bonnie Ottino Scholarship  
Independent Insurance Agents Association  
Of Contra Costa County  
P.O. Box 796  
Clayton, CA 94517**

**Bonnie Ottino Education  
Memorial Award**

The Independent Insurance Agents of Contra Costa County (IIAACCC) has established this scholarship award in an effort to perpetuate the memory of Bonnie Ottino. Bonnie worked for IABC, the precursor of IBA West, for 30+ years, serving as Executive Director until her retirement in 1984. She then filled that same position for the Independent Insurance Agents of Contra Costa County until 1994. During her long and varied insurance career, Bonnie was a staunch advocate of professional women in the insurance industry. She led by example, providing a model of hard work and the highest standards of professionalism. Bonnie passed away in 1995

**APPLICANT INFORMATION**

**Objective:**

The Bonnie Ottino Education Memorial Award was established with several objectives in mind:

- 1) To assist insurance professionals in reaching a higher level of performance through professional education.
  
- 2) To assist agencies with the sometimes unaffordable professional development costs and thereby contributing to their ability to provide continuing education to employees.
  
- 3) To enhance the knowledge of agency employees so that they, in turn, will contribute to their association and the insurance profession as a whole.

**Eligibility:**

A \$500.00 award will be offered IIAACCC so that an insurance professional can attend approved Insurance Industry Continuing Education Courses. The following criteria must be met:

- 1) Applicants must be currently employed and have worked for the member agency or company for a minimum of one year as of the date of application.
  
- 2) Applicant will incur education expenses which are not reimbursable from applicant's employing agency.

**Scholarships will be awarded to persons who are members of IIAACCC and/or and an employee of an IIAACCC member and working in the property/casualty insurance industry.**

**Description of Award:**

A \$500.00 award will be offered by IIAACCC. Where possible, the award will be in the form of a voucher redeemable by the authorized vendor of an accredited course in insurance.

**Responsibilities of Recipient:**

Award recipients must attend the full course undertaken and receive a passing grade or continuing education credits. The award is not transferable.

**Selection:**

To assure the objectivity of the selection process, application content should not reveal the identity of the applicant or the identity of applicant's employer. This information should be included only on the application cover sheet. Judges will be given blind numbered applications. Judging will be done by members of the Board of IIAACCC. The award winner will be notified no later than September 15, 2010.

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APPLICATION FORM**  
**Deadline for Entries – September 1**

**Please answer all questions (1 – 6) as completely as possible. Feel free to attach additional pages if necessary.**

- 1) Briefly describe your current job responsibilities and your insurance background.
  
- 2) What course or seminar do you plan to attend if you are the award winner?
  
- 3) How will that course benefit your career?
  
- 4) Describe your activities with or other trade groups within the insurance industry, including office held.
  
- 5) Have you ever done any type of volunteer work for your community as an insurance professional? Describe.
  
- 6) If you were selected to receive the Bonnie Ottino Education Memorial Award, would you be willing to share your experience with fellow insurance professionals by writing an article to be used on/in IIAACCC website or newsletter?