

Randy Stokes Leadership Scholarship

Wasabi Paddling Club supports its graduating junior and senior members' pursuit of higher education with two \$1,000 scholarships, the Nancy Bergeson Spirit Scholarship, and the Randy Stokes Leadership Scholarship. These are awarded to two different members per year, who are high school juniors or seniors.

This scholarship is named in recognition of Randy Stokes, the first and founding coach of Wasabi's youth team, Kraken. Randy dedicated ten years to Kraken, developing a team who is known internationally for their competitiveness and intense team spirit.

This scholarship is awarded to a junior or senior paddler who continually embodies the characteristics Randy himself represented – initiative, leading by example, camaraderie, ethical judgment, and rallying the team at practices and competitions.

Eligibility

1. The Randy Stokes Leadership Scholarship is available to qualifying high school juniors and seniors who are active members of Wasabi Paddling Club.
2. Recipients must be accepted by a U.S. Department of Education approved accredited college, a technical or trade school, including international accredited schools. Upon award, the scholarship is paid directly to the accepting educational institution and may be used for tuition and academic expenses.
3. Scholarship recipients may select any course of study leading to a professional certification or degree at one of the institutions outlined in paragraph 2.
4. Scholarship winners are selected by the Wasabi Paddling Club Board of Directors and/or their designee(s).
5. This scholarship award will be determined by June 1 each year. The award will be presented by the Wasabi Paddling Club President at a time to be selected and with participation of members

from other Wasabi teams.

6. It will become effective when the winner is enrolled in the institution to which s/he has been admitted.
7. To apply for this scholarship, applicants must complete and submit all application materials by May 15. Submit to: Wasabi Paddling Club, Attn: Randy Stokes Leadership Scholarship, PO Box 8217, Portland, OR 97207, or place it in the Wasabi Treasurer's Drawer at the Boathouse.
8. The Randy Stokes Leadership Scholarship is a one-time scholarship in the amount of \$1,000. It may not be renewed, nor may the same recipient receive the Nancy Bergeson Spirit Scholarship in the same, previous or following year.
9. The scholarship is funded from the Wasabi General Fund. The Wasabi Board of Directors may at some point in the future, at its own discretion, decide to revise or discontinue this scholarship.

Application Requirements

- Complete this scholarship application (which can be obtained from the Kraken coach). Please print clearly.
- Submit an original essay of 1,000 words or less describing your leadership skills specifically detailing how they pertain to your time with Wasabi Paddling Club. Use the scholarship description to help guide your response. Please proofread carefully for spelling and grammar.
- Submit verification of continued Wasabi membership for the previous and current years. (May be obtained from the Kraken coach)
- The current Kraken coach will also complete a feedback form about each candidate describing characteristics s/he has seen demonstrated.

Incomplete applications will not be considered. Applications must be received by May 15 of the current year. Keep a copy for your own files.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Day Phone: _____ Email: _____

Academic Goal (program): _____

Name of Institution: _____