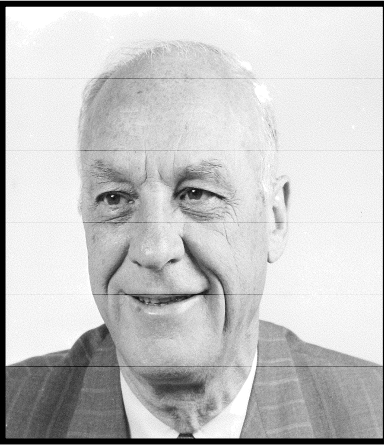




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ROBERT W. CRAWFORD Memorial Scholarship Award

Robert W. Crawford was a pioneer and distinguished professional in the field of public parks and recreation for both Pennsylvania and the nation. He began his recreation career in 1934 and remained active with NRPA, the National Recreation Foundation and PRPS throughout his life. He worked in New York, New Jersey, California and in 1952 he finally landed in Pennsylvania as the Commissioner of Recreation for Philadelphia. He has been credited with increasing funding and expanding the City's recreation facilities and public parks from a meager 95 sites to 815, by the end of his career.

Additionally, he served as the Executive Director of the National Recreation Foundation for many years, establishing the Recreation and Park Hall of Fame in 1987. He was a strong supporter of our profession and the advancement of recreation and parks across the United States. The Community Recreation Branch of the **Pennsylvania Recreation and Park Society (PRPS)** has established this award in honor of the late Robert W. Crawford.

The Robert W. Crawford Memorial Scholarship Award will include: registration, meals and lodging at the Annual PRPS State Conference, a certificate, as well as, a **\$500 CASH scholarship**. The 2017 PRPS Annual Conference is being held on March 26-29, 2017 at the Hershey Lodge & Conference Center in Hershey, PA.

Minimum qualifications for this Award:

1. Full-time Pennsylvania College or University undergraduate student in Recreation and Parks; must be a full-time student at the time of the Conference
2. Must have a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 or equivalent
3. Outstanding involvement in extra-curricular activities
4. **Must be a PRPS member, in good standing**

To apply, a copy of your Transcript, Resume and Letter of Recommendation from a College or University faculty member, must accompany the application.

Hard-copy applications and documents may be sent to the PRPS Office or supplied online to www.prps.org or trobert@prps.org . **The filing deadline is February 17, 2017.**

- Applications will be judged and a selection made by the PRPS- Community Branch Executive Committee.
- Results of the selection process will be announced **by March 3, 2017.**
- **Winners will be notified by phone.**

(Please be sure that you meet all qualifications and requirements of the award. You must supply all requested documentation by the established deadline, so that your application can be properly reviewed and evaluated.)