Meston receives statewide firefighter award



Jeff Meston

South Lake Tahoe Fire Chief Jeff Meston earned the the Ed Bent Training Excellence Award in recognition of being the Outstanding Fire Instructor of the Year.

Each year during the California Training Officers' Fall Training Symposium a fire service instructor is honored. The award was created many years ago on behalf of Ed Bent for his contribution as a founding father of statewide training and curriculum for the California Fire Service.

South Lake Tahoe City Manager Nancy Kerry stated, "I am not surprised Chief Meston was nominated and chosen for this award. Chief Meston has a rich history as an instructor, both with those in the fire service and citizens, throughout his career. Under his leadership, South Lake Tahoe Fire Rescue developed the city's STAT program which trains our local citizenry on disaster response. He's an exemplary leader and trainer and we are fortunate to serve alongside him here at the city."