AHS Southwest Region

2017 Robert L. Lichten Award Competition

The Southwest Region of the American Helicopter Society (AHS) International will hold its annual Robert L. Lichten Award regional competition on Thursday, December 1st, 2016 in Bell Helicopter Textron’s Headquarters Larry Bell Conference Room from 4:00 - 6:30 PM.

The purpose of the Lichten competition is to promote the exchange of technical information by encouraging AHS members to write and present papers dealing with all areas of rotorcraft technologies. This competition is especially tailored to provide new presenters an opportunity to be recognized for their contributions to the field. All AHS members who have not previously presented a paper at a national or regional meeting of the AHS or other technical societies are eligible. Please refer to the Lichten Eligibility Checklist for the official rules.

Candidates for the regional competition will make a 20-minute presentation in front of judges and other AHS members. The winner of the regional competition will receive a $250 honorarium from the AHS Southwest Region and will be entered into the international competition. A $100 and $50 honorarium will be presented to 2nd and 3rd place respectively from the AHS Southwest Region.

The winner of the regional competition will write a paper due no later than February 21, 2017 to be judged at the international level. The winner of the international Lichten Award will be invited to present his/her paper at the AHS International 73rd Annual Forum & Technology Display, May 9-11, 2017 in Fort Worth, TX and receive a travel reimbursement stipend of up to $1500 to attend the Forum, complimentary registration and lodging, and a $500 honorarium. The international Lichten Award first runner-up will also be invited to present his/her paper, and will receive complimentary registration.

If you are interested in competing for the AHS Southwest Region Lichten Award, submit an approved abstract/outline of your presentation and a Lichten Eligibility Checklist by C.O.B. Wednesday, November 16, 2016, to Southwest Region Lichten Award Coordinator George Havrilla at (817) 280-4253, email ghavrilla@bh.com. The Lichten Eligibility Statement and guideline is available for download at: Procedures and Eligibility Statement.

All abstracts and presentations must go through company management and government approvals. Authors are solely responsible for obtaining these approvals.