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POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

All trophies/awards offered in the name of the National Organization of The American Legion must be approved by the National Executive Committee. Anyone desiring to offer a trophy or award to be presented by the National Organization of The American Legion in recognition of excellence is requested to submit the offer in writing to the National Adjutant. Such offers are then referred to the Internal Affairs Commission.

Recommendations are reviewed by the Internal Affairs Commission for its consideration and recommendation to the National Executive Committee. If the subsequent recommendation of the Internal Affairs Commission and action of the National Executive Committee are favorable, it becomes the duty of the Internal Affairs Commission to outline the procedures governing the presentation of the award and the administrative procedures necessary for its supervision.

In accordance with the above procedure and subsequent action by the National Convention and the National Executive Committee, the trophies and awards listed in this publication have been accepted and awarded as prescribed.

CLOSING DATES FOR CONTESTS

The following Resolution was adopted by the 8th National Convention, held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, October 11-15, 1926:

WHEREAS, In present National contests held by National Headquarters, the practice requiring each Department to have its membership remittance reach headquarters on the closing date is not just or fair to those states geographically located a long distance from Indianapolis, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That in such contests and in awarding trophies by National Headquarters, the closing date of any such contests and awards be specified through the use of the registered postmarked date.

And it is further recommended that no contest end on Sunday or a national holiday.

RESOLUTION NO. 19, NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, APRIL 29 – MAY 1, 1953

WHEREAS, For a period of many years The American Legion has authorized the awarding of trophies for various activities, the trophies in many cases being large and extremely valuable; and

WHEREAS, These trophies, through continued circulation over a period of years, have been exposed to hard usage and frequently have become damaged; and

WHEREAS, Many instances have occurred where the winners have had no satisfactory place to display them properly while in their custody, which has caused expense and inconvenience; and

WHEREAS, The continued circulation of these trophies has involved expense to the organization for insurance, repair, up-keep, shipping and storage; and

WHEREAS, It seems desirable for the reasons herein mentioned to provide for the permanent retention of these trophies in the museum at National Headquarters while providing for a suitable award to the winners of the same; now, therefore, be it
RESOLVED, By the National Executive Committee meeting assembled in Indianapolis, Indiana, April 29 – May 1, 1953, in order that the life of The American Legion irregular trophies may be extended and in order that they may be on display at all times in the museum at National Headquarters with the names of the current winners appearing thereon, and in order to provide for a permanent record to the annual winners of the trophies, that suitable laminated plaques containing photographs of the original trophies will be awarded to and retained by the winners since such plaques can be provided with an engraved plate at a cost which should not be in excess of the cost of the present system of awarding trophies.

(Because many of the trophies referred to in Resolution No. 19 above, have deteriorated through such handling beyond the feasibility point of refurbishing and restoration, they are being perpetuated through a replacement program utilizing special plaques containing photographs of the original trophies with imprinted identification of the annual winners.)

RESOLUTION NO. 29, NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, MAY 5-6, 1965

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 5 titled “American Legion Trophies, Awards or Citations Policy” adopted by the National Executive Committee of The American Legion, October 21-22, 1964, and appearing on page 95 of the printed proceedings of that meeting, provides that, pending a comprehensive review of the practice of awarding unofficial awards and citations, no award or citation shall be made in the name of The American Legion without the knowledge of the National Commander by and with the approval of the National Executive Committee; and

WHEREAS, The review of the awarding of such citations contemplated in the adoption of this resolution has found there are occasions when the timely awarding of suitable forms of recognition are in the best interest of The American Legion and its programs and the National Commander should be afforded some latitude in this area; and

WHEREAS, It has also been found there are many standard citations and awards that have been issued from year to year by National Commissions and Committees and which, by precedent, have become a well-established part of the various national programs without having been formally adopted or approved by the National Executive Committee; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the National Executive Committee of The American Legion in regular meeting assembled in Indianapolis, Indiana, May 5-6, 1965, that the National Commander, upon the recommendation of National Commissions and Committees concerned, is authorized to present suitable awards to members of The American Legion or to organized groups of The American Legion in recognition of outstanding activities or contributions within the area of interest of the recommending National Commission or Committee; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the National Commander, with the advice, or upon recommendation of the Commander’s Advisory Committee, is authorized to present suitable awards to individuals and to groups outside The American Legion in recognition of outstanding activities contributing to the fulfillment of American Legion policies, principles, and objectives; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That all awards made under the authorization of the preceding two paragraphs shall be reported by and through the Trophies, Awards and Ceremonials Committee to the National Executive Committee at its first meeting following the presentation of such awards and the report shall be made a part of the proceedings of that meeting; and, be it finally
RESOLVED, That continuing awards or annual awards that have been created by National Commissions and Committees and that have been issued for a period of at least two years prior to the adoption of this resolution are approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 21, NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, MAY 1-2, 1974

WHEREAS, It has been the practice of the National Organization of the American Legion to award to the winners of the various national competitions in addition to other elements of recognition, engraved gold plates suitable for attachment to the staffs of the winners’ colors; and

WHEREAS, A survey of the Departments which have received these gold flag pole bands indicates that such bands are neither displayed as intended nor desired as a means of recognition; and

WHEREAS, The increases in the price of gold and the costs of engraving threaten to make the awarding of these gold flag pole bands a disproportionate budget item; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the National Executive Committee of The American Legion in regular meeting assembled in Indianapolis, Indiana, May 1-2, 1974, That the practice of awarding such gold flag pole bands in conjunction with the awarding of the various national trophies and awards by The American Legion is hereby discontinued.

  o Emblem Sales Trophy – last awarded in 1983
  o Four Chaplains Trophy – last awarded in 1983
  o National Adjutants Trophy – last awarded in 1983

  o The American Legion National Education Award (Americanism)
  o National Employer of Older Worker Award (Economics)
  o The American Legion National Firefighter of the Year Award (Economics)
  o The American Legion Spirit of Service Award (Public Relations)

  o Old name: American Legion Baseball Player of the Year Award
    New name: George W. Rulon Baseball Player of the Year Award (NEC Resolution No. 4, 1986 Pre-Convention)
  o Old name: William Randolph Hearst Americanism Trophy
    New name: Daniel J. O’Connor Americanism Trophy (NEC Resolution No. 1, August 29, 2011, Pre-Convention)
  o Old name: Employer of the Year Award for Hiring Veterans
    New name: National Employer of Veterans Award (NEC Resolution No. 11, October 12-13, 2011)
  o Old name: Employment Service Award
    New name: National Employment Service Award (NEC Resolution No. 12, October 12-13, 2011)

  o Old name: Louisville Slugger Trophy
    New name: The American Legion Baseball Slugger Trophy (NEC Resolution No. 6, May 8-9, 2013)
  o Old name: Rawlings “Big Stick” Award
    New name: The American Legion Baseball “Big Stick” Award (NEC Resolution No. 7, May 8-9, 2013)
THE AMERICAN LEGION DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL

Description:

The American Legion Distinguished Service Medal consists of a gold plated/sterling silver medallion, which appears like gold, with The American Legion Emblem in the center with the word “Distinguished” inscribed above and the word “Service” inscribed below The American Legion Emblem in plain block letters on a rose colored background suspended by means of the official American Legion ribbon and the medallion suitably on the reverse side with the name of the recipient and encased in a shadow box.

Presented By:


Authority:

May 1929 report of Subcommittee on National Trophies and Awards, as amended by the National Executive Committee, November 18-20, 1951, further amended by Resolution No. 2 by the National Executive Committee, October 12-13, 2011.

Note: Recipients received this award prior to it becoming an official award in 1968.

How Awarded:

1. All nominations must be presented by department action or by the National Commander.
2. All nominations must be presented to the National Adjutant, at least fifteen (15) days before the spring meeting of the Internal Affairs Committee and these nominations will be presented to the committee during their regular session.
3. All awards must be made at a session of the National Convention.
4. The number of awards must not be over one in any one year.
5. In the event said Internal Affairs Commission shall make any such recommendations for The American Legion Distinguished Service Medal, at the May meeting of the National Executive Committee held in the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, each year, not more than three (3) persons shall be nominated; when nominations are reported said committee shall go into executive session, and shall, by written ballot, select not more than one of such nominees by a majority vote of the full membership of the National Executive Committee to receive The American Legion Distinguished Service Medal; only one ballot shall be taken and in the event none of any such nominees receives an affirmative vote of a majority of the full membership of said National Executive Committee, no American Legion Distinguished Service Medal will be awarded for the year in which such vote is taken. It shall not be mandatory for the Internal Affairs Commission to submit any nominations for such award.
6. Qualifications to be considered are outstanding service to the nation and to the programs of The American Legion.
7. The American Legion will provide one roundtrip coach airfare or vehicle mileage, in accordance with its employee mileage reimbursement rates, staff per diem for three days, two tickets to the National Commander’s Banquet, lodging for two nights in accordance with travel policies of The American Legion for an individual recipient or a single representative of a group or organization to receive the award at National Convention and The American Legion will provide no incidental expenses or expenses incurred by guests accompanying the award recipient.

(Note: The first eleven awards were made by the National Executive Committee and National Conventions prior to adoption of definitive regulations.)

Recipients:

1921 Marshall Ferdinand Foch of France
1921 Admiral Earl Beatty of Great Britain
1921 General Armando Diaz of Italy
1921 General Diaz of Italy
1921 General Baron Jacques of Belgium
1921 Charles Bertrand of France
1922 General of the Armies – John J. Pershing
1923 Admiral Robert E. Coontz
1923 General Josef Haller of Poland
1924 None Awarded
1925 None Awarded
1926 Ignace Jan Paderewski of Poland
1927 Comte Francois M. R. DeJean of France
1928 Field Marshal Viscount Allenby of Great Britain
1929 Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis

(Prior to 1929 there were no established regulations)

1930 Admiral William S. Sims
1931-41 None Awarded
1942 General Douglas MacArthur
1943 General George C. Marshall
1943 Admiral Ernest J. King
1944* Honorable Frank Knox
1944 Henry Ford
1944 General H. H. Arnold
1945* President Franklin D. Roosevelt
1945* Ernest “Ernie” Pyle
THE AMERICAN LEGION DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL RECIPIENTS (continued)

*Awarded posthumously

1945  Honorable Henry L. Stimson
1945  General of the Army Dwight D. Eisenhower
1945  Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz
1946  J. Edgar Hoover
1946  Bob Hope
1946  William Randolph Hearst
1946  Major General Lewis B. Hershey
1947  Lieutenant General William S. Knudsen
1947  Senator Edward Martin
1947  Chief Justice Fred M. Vinson
1948  None Awarded
1949  President Harry S. Truman
1949* George Herman (Babe) Ruth
1949* Mayor General Frank Parker
1950  Major General Milton A. Reckord
1950  Charles F. Johnson, Jr.
1950  Representative Edith Nourse Rogers
1951  General Charles P. Summerall
1952  None Awarded
1953* Representative Royal C. Johnson
1954* Major General George A. White
1955  Dr. Jonas E. Salk
1955  Major General Ellard A. Walsh
1956  Vice Admiral Joel T. Boone
1956  Charles Stewart Mott
1957  General Mark W. Clark
1957  The Most Reverend Fulton J. Sheen
1958  Bernard M. Baruch
1958  Unknown Servicemen of World War I, World War II, Korea interred at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Arlington National Cemetery
1959  Senator Robert S. Kerr
1960  None Awarded
1961  President John F. Kennedy
1962  General Lucius D. Clay
1962* Dr. Thomas A. Dooley
1963  Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York
1964  Dr. Charles W. Mayo
1965  James F. Byrnes
1965* Herbert Clark Hoover
1966  Captain Roger Hugh C. Donlon, United States Army
1967  Honorable Tom C. Clark
1968  President Lyndon B. Johnson
1968  General William C. Westmoreland (See note under Authority)
1969  President Richard M. Nixon
1970  Honorable Olin E. Teague
1971* Honorable L. Mendel Rivers
1972  DeWitt Wallace
1972  Honorable John Cornelius Stennis
1973  None Awarded
1974  Honorable Henry A. Kissinger
1974  Honorable F. Edward Hebert
1975  Harry W. Colmery, Past National Commander, The American Legion
1976  Pat O’Brien

1977  Dr. Howard A. Rusk
1978  Bowie K. Kuhn
1979  Thomas A. Murphy
1980  Gerald R. Ford
1980  38th President of the United States
1980  Dead and Missing of the Vietnam War
1981  John Young,
      Crew of the Space Shuttle Columbia
1981  Robert Crippen,
      Crew of the Space Shuttle Columbia
1982  Ronald W. Reagan
1983  40th President of the United States
1983  Admiral Hyman George Rickover,
      United States Navy (Retired)
1984  Honorable J. Strom Thurmond
1985  Honorable Caspar W. Weinberger
1986  None Awarded
1987  Honorable William H. Webster
1988  Douglas Edwards
1989  Honorable Howard H. Baker, Jr.
1990  Michael E. DeBakey, M. D.
1991  George H. W. Bush
1992  41st President of the United States
1993  Dick Thornburgh
1994  General Colin L. Powell
1995  Walter H. Annenberg
1995  The Crew of Enola Gay
1996  Honorable G. V. “Sonny” Montgomery
1997  The Honorable Robert J. Dole
1998  None Awarded
1999  Zachary Fisher
2000  Honorable Orrin Grant Hatch
2001  General Henry H. Shelton
2002  Honorable Robert Stump
2003  Doctors Jeanne Mager Stellman and Steven D. Stellman
2004  None Awarded
2005  General Richard B. Myers
2006  Major General (Retired) Patrick H. Brady
2007  Dr. Kenneth W. Kizer
2008  President George W. Bush
2009  General David H. Petraeus, US Army
2010  Boy Scouts of America
2011  Honorable Thomas Chester “Chet” Edwards
2012  Senator Richard G. Lugar
2013  Dallas Cowboys Cheerleaders
2014  Dr. Donald H. Jenkins, Chief, Trauma, Critical Care and General Surgery, Mayo Clinic
2015  Honorable Charles T. “Chuck” Hagel
Description:

General: Walnut based trophy with four metal columns and baseball player figure mounted on a plat-formed vase above columns.

Inscription: American Legion Baseball Graduate of the Year Award presented to (name of recipient) by National Americanism Commission, The American Legion. Year _____.

Presented By:


Authority:

NEC Resolution No. 29, May 5-6, 1965.

Note: Recipients received this award prior to it becoming an official award in 1968.

How Awarded:

By appropriate national official of The American Legion at a time and place convenient to all parties concerned.

Conditions:

1. Presented to the Major League Baseball player who played American Legion Baseball as a teenager and best exemplifies the principles and purposes of the program. It is based upon the individual’s citizenship, sportsmanship, general good conduct, integrity and playing ability.
2. It shall be the responsibility of the National Americanism Division to obtain and make available said award for presentation.
3. The award remains the property of the recipient.

Recipients:

1958  John Sherman Lollar, Chicago White Sox
1959  None Awarded
1960  Theodore Samuel Williams, Boston Red Sox
1962  Robert Clinton Richardson, New York Yankees
1963  Warren Edward Spahn, Milwaukee Brewers
1964  Brooks Calbert Robinson, Baltimore Orioles
1965  Eddie Gene Fisher, Chicago White Sox
1961  Stanley Frank Musial, St. Louis Cardinals
1966  Frank Robinson, Baltimore Orioles
1967  Carl Michael Yastrzemski, Boston Red Sox
1968  Michael Steven (Mickey) Lolich, Detroit Tigers
(See note under Authority)
1969  Harmon Clayton Killebrew, Jr., Minnesota Twins
1970  David Arthur McNally, Baltimore Orioles
1971  Steven Norman Carlton, St. Louis Cardinals
1972  Albert William Kaline, Detroit Tigers
1973  Johnny Lee Bench, Cincinnati Reds
1974  Wilbur Forrester Wood, Jr., Chicago White Sox
1975  Carlton Ernest Fisk, Boston Red Sox
1976  Robert James (Rick) Monday, Jr., Chicago Cubs
1977  David Mark Winfield, San Diego Padres
1978  Ronald Ames Guidry, New York Yankees
1979  Michael Kendall Flanagan, Baltimore Orioles
1980  George Howard Brett, Kansas City Royals
1981  Gary Edmund Carter, Montreal Expos
1982  James Howard Sundberg, Texas Rangers
1983  Andre Thornton, Cleveland Indians
1984  Ryne Sandberg, Chicago Cubs
1985  Jeff Reardon, Montreal Expos
1986  Dale Murphy, Atlanta Braves
1987  Don Mattingly, New York Yankees
1988  Roger Clemens, Boston Red Sox
1989  Alan Trammell, Detroit Tigers
1990  Harold Reynolds, Seattle Mariners
1991  Sidney Bream, Atlanta Braves
1992  Terry Steinbach, Oakland Athletics
1993  Billy Swift, San Francisco Giants
1994  Greg Maddux, Atlanta Braves
1995  Bob Tewksbury, Texas Rangers
1996  Paul Molitor, Minnesota Twins
1997  Mo Vaughn, Boston Red Sox
1998  Tony Gwynn, San Diego Padres
1999  Steve Finley, Arizona Diamondbacks
2000  Chipper Jones, Atlanta Braves
2001  Todd Stottlemyre, Arizona Diamondbacks
2002  Luis Gonzales, Arizona Diamondbacks
2003  Jeff Bagwell, Houston Astros
2004  Darin Erstad, Anaheim Angels
2005  Scott Rolen, St. Louis Cardinals
2006  Jose Albert Pujols, St. Louis Cardinals
2007  Chris Carpenter, St. Louis Cardinals
2008  Justin Verlander, Detroit Tigers
2009  Lyle Overbay, Toronto Blue Jays
2010  Brandon Inge, Detroit Tigers
2011  Corey Hart, Milwaukee Brewers
2012  Mark Ellis, Los Angeles Dodgers
2013  Chad Billingsley, Los Angeles Dodgers
2014  Michael Cuddyer, Colorado Rockies
2015  Alex Gordon, Kansas City Royals
BOB FELLER AMERICAN LEGION PITCHING AWARD

Description:

General: Walnut plaque with gold plate and decoration depicting baseball motif.


Presented By:


Authority:

NEC Resolution No. 37, May 3-4, 1978.

How Awarded:

To be awarded annually to The American Legion Baseball player recording the greatest number of strikeouts during the regional tournaments and World Series of American Legion Baseball.

Conditions:

1. The award is to become the property of the recipient. It shall be presented by a duly authorized representative of The American Legion at the close of the annual World Series of American Legion Baseball.
2. The award is to be made to that player who, according to the records of the official scores, is credited with the greatest number of strikeouts during the regional tournaments and World Series of American Legion Baseball.
3. It shall be the responsibility of the National Americanism Division to see that said award is obtained and available for presentation.

Recipients:

1978    Glenn Roe, Post 185, Caldwell, NJ
1979    Brian Keith Reams, Post 359, Norwalk, CA
1980    Sid Fernandez, Moilili Legion Baseball, Honolulu, HI
1982    Robert Wassenaar, Post 471, Edina, MN
1983    John Ludy, Post 471, Boyertown, PA
1984    Lino Rivera, Post 134, Guaynabo, PR
1985    Gregg Olson, Post 1, Omaha, NE
1986    Joe Grahe, Post 126, Jensen Beach, FL
1987    Stan Spencer, Post 176, Vancouver, WA
1988    Scott Klingenbeck, Post 507, Cincinnati, OH
1989    Jeff Thelen, Post 205, Janesville, WI
1990    Clifton Foster, Post 58, Texarkana, AR
1991    Bob Pailthorpe, Post 837, Union City, CA
1993    Ben Thomas, Post 22, Rapid City, SD
1994    Lance Franks, Post 20, Russellville, AR
1995    Woody Heath, Outside Sponsor, Bellevue, WA
1996    Ben Sheets, Post 81, Gonzales, LA
1997    Steve Bechler, Post 15, Medford, OR
1998    Ralph Roberts, Post 100, Cherryville, NC
1999    Steve Grasley, Post 513, New Brighton, MN
2000    Ben Thurmond, Post 6, Columbia, SC
2001    Chad Billingsley, Post 300, Napoleon, OH
2002    Matt Skundrick, Post 15, Medford, OR
2003    Josh Johnson, Post 212, West Point, MS
2004    Ben Thomas, Post 100, Cherryville, NC
2005    Ryan Reid, Outside Sponsor, Portland, ME
2006    Tyler Cheney, Post 34, Pasco, WA
2007    Robby Broach, Post 175, Metairie, LA
2008    Aaron Davidson, Post 298, Bryant, AR
2009    Cade Lynch, Post 21, Jonesboro, AR
2010    Kevin Hill, Post 170, Midwest City, OK
2011    Colton Loomis, Post 165, Midland, MI
2012    Emerson Gibbs, Post 125, New Orleans, LA
2013    Mike Shawaryn, Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ
2014    Jake Meyers, Post 1, Omaha, NE
2015    Jordan Ragan, Post 15, Medford, OR
COMMISSIONER OF BASEBALL TROPHY

Description:

General: Walnut and aluminum, 19-inch, modernistic pillar with names of annual winners etched on base plates.

Inscription: “Baseball, The Commissioner’s Award, National Champions, American Legion Baseball”.

Presented By:

Commissioner of Major League Baseball.

Authority:

NEC Resolution No. 19, October 20-21, 1971.

How Awarded:

To be awarded annually at the Major League World Series to that baseball team which becomes the National Champion as a result of playing in The American Legion World Series.

Conditions:

1. By action of the National Executive Committee, October 20-21, 1971, the original trophy is to remain at National Headquarters of The American Legion, Indianapolis, Indiana, and a suitable plaque, with engraved plate attached, will be awarded to and retained by the winning team annually. Presentation of the award is to be made at the World Series of Major League Baseball each October.
2. Said trophy is to be awarded annually to that team which becomes the champion as a result of playing in The American Legion World Series.
3. It shall be the responsibility of the National Americanism Division to see that said award is obtained and available for presentation.

Recipients:

1971  West Covina Post 790, West Covina, CA
1972  Ballwin Memorial Post 611, Ballwin, MO
1973  Monte Carlo Post 147, Rio Piedras, PR
1974  Monte Carlo Post 147, Rio Piedras, PR
1975  Logan Wheeler Post 36, Yakima, WA
1976  Santa Monica Bay Cities Post 123, Santa Monica, CA
1977  South Bend Post 50, South Bend, IN
1978  Sullivan-Babcock Post 32, Hialeah, FL
1979  Logan Wheeler Post 36, Yakima, WA
1980  Moliiili Legion Baseball, Honolulu, HI
1981  West Tampa Memorial Post 248, West Tampa, FL
1982  Charles B. Yerger Post 471, Boyertown, PA
1983  Edina Post 471, Edina, MN
1984  Jesus Bruno Post 134, Guaynabo, PR
1985  Midlothian Post 186, Midlothian, VA
1986  Jensen Beach Post 126, Jensen Beach, FL
1987  Charles B. Yerger Post 471, Boyertown, PA
1988  George W. Budde Post 507, Cincinnati, OH
1989  Woodland Hills Post 826, Woodland Hills, CA
1990  Cummings-Behlke Post 226, Mayo, MD
1991  Brooklawn Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ
1993  Rapid City Post 22, Rapid City, SD
1994  Felix Sosa-Camejo Post 346, Miami, FL
1995  Aiea Legion Baseball, Inc., Aiea, HI
1996  Knowles-Doyle Post 317, Yardley, PA
1997  Campbell-Lossing Post 53, Sanford, FL
1998  Edwardsville Post 199, Edwardsville, FL
1999  Tri-City post 513, New Brighton, MN
2000  Mt. Diablo Post 246, Danville, CA
2001  Brooklawn Memorial Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ
2002  Landen-Shelton-Neeley Post 212, West Point, MS
2003  William T. McCoy Post 92, Rochester, MN
2004  Portland, ME, Outside Sponsor
2005  Argonne Post 4, Enid, OK
2006  Metairie Post 175, Metairie, LA
2007  Herbert Griffin Post 19, Columbia, TN
2008  Spirit of Freedom Post 76, Las Vegas, NV
2009  Midland Berryhill Post 165, Midland, MI
2010  Clarence L. Tinker Post 170, Midwest, OK
2011  Eden Prairie, MN, Outside Sponsor
2012  American Legion Post 125, New Orleans, LA
2013  Brooklawn Memorial Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ
2014  Brooklawn Memorial Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ
2015  Chapin Post 193, Chapin, SC
**DR. IRVIN L. “CLICK” COWGER MEMORIAL R.B.I. AWARD**

**Description:**

*General:* Walnut plaque with gold plate and decoration depicting baseball motif.

*Inscription:* “Dr. Irvin L. ‘Click’ Cowger Memorial R.B.I. Award.”

**Presented By:**

The American Legion, Department of Kansas.

**Authority:**

NEC Resolution No. 30, May 5-6, 1971.

**How Awarded:**

To be awarded annually to that American Legion Baseball player who is credited with the most runs batted in by the official scorers of the respective regional tournaments and World Series of American Legion Baseball.

**Conditions:**

1. The award is to become the property of the recipient. It shall be presented by a duly authorized representative of The American Legion at the close of the annual World Series of American Legion Baseball.
2. The award is to be made to that player who, according to the records of the official scorers is credited with the most runs batted in during the regional tournaments and World Series of American Legion Baseball.
3. It shall be the responsibility of the National Americanism Division to see that said award is obtained and available for presentation.

*Recipient received this award prior to it becoming an official award, May 5-6, 1971.*

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<td>Guillermo Bonilla</td>
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<td>Justin Hawkins</td>
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THE FORD C. FRICK TROPHY

Description:

**General:** Pedestal trophy with gold finish; figure of baseball player mounted on top; six eagles mounted on base; height, including base is three feet.

**Inscription:** “The Ford C. Frick Baseball Trophy. Presented to the Runner-up Team of the National Finals.”

Presented:

In honor of Ford C. Frick, Commissioner of Baseball (1951-1965). See “Conditions” for details of award presentation.

Authority:

May 1952 report of National Trophies, Awards and Ceremonials Committee as approved by the National Executive Committee.

How Awarded:

To be awarded annually to that department having within its jurisdiction the runner-up team in the National Finals of The American Legion Baseball program.

Conditions:

1. The original trophy was donated to the National Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, New York on February 2, 1953.
2. A suitable laminated plaque containing a photograph of the trophy will be awarded annually to that department having within its jurisdiction the baseball team that is the runner-up in the National Finals of The American Legion Baseball program.
3. Announcement of the award is to be made at each National Convention.

Recipients:

1952 California, Post 364, San Diego, CA
1953 Illinois, Post 10, Winnetka, IL
1954 North Carolina, Post 23, Gaston, NC
1955 District of Columbia, Post 31, Washington, DC
1956 Louisiana, Post 341, New Orleans, LA
1957 Oregon, Post 102, Portland, OR
1958 Massachusetts, Post 176, Everett, MA
1959 Virginia, Post 48, Phoebus, VA
1960 Montana, Post 4, Billings, MT

1961 Ohio, Post 554, Cincinnati, OH
1962 Hawaii, Post 11, Honolulu, HI
1963 Tennessee, Post 1, Memphis, TN
1964 North Carolina, Post 9, Charlotte, NC
1965 Nebraska, Post 1, Omaha, NE
1966 Alabama, Post 34, Tuscaloosa, AL
1967 Illinois, Post 791, Northbrook, IL
1968 Oregon, Post 8, Klamath Falls, OR
1969 Maryland, Post 22, Towson, MD
1970 Pennsylvania, No Post Affiliation
1971 Iowa, Post 5, Cedar Rapids, IA
1972 Tennessee, Post 1, Memphis, TN
1973 Tennessee, Post 1, Memphis, TN
1974 Oregon, Post 92, Lake Oswego, OR
1975 Iowa, Post 5, Cedar Rapids, IA
1976 Illinois, Post 36, Des Plaines, IL
1977 Mississippi, Post 78, Hattiesburg, MS
1978 Massachusetts, Post 420, Springfield, MA
1979 Rhode Island, Post 8, Barrington, RI
1980 Pennsylvania, Post 471, Boyertown, PA
1981 Virginia, Post 361, Richmond, VA
1982 California, Post 517, Lafayette, CA
1983 Pennsylvania, Post 471, Boyertown, PA
1984 New Jersey, Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ
1985 California, Carmichael Elks, Outside Sponsor, Sacramento, CA
1986 Nevada, Post 8, Las Vegas, NV
1987 Washington, Post 176, Vancouver, WA
1988 Pennsylvania, Post 471, Boyertown, PA
1989 Puerto Rico, Post 134, Guaynabo, PR
1990 Puerto Rico, Post 48, Bayamon, PR
1991 Ohio, Post 85, Newark, OH
1992 Illinois, Post 208, Arlington Heights, IL
1993 Nevada, Post 8, Las Vegas, NV
1994 California, Post 299, Chino, CA
1995 Washington, Outside Sponsor, Bellevue, WA
1996 Louisiana, Post 81, Gonzales, LA
1997 Oregon, Post 15, Medford, OR
1998 North Carolina, Post 100, Cherryville, NC
1999 Washington, Post 34, Kennewick, WA
2000 Kentucky, Post 31, Paducah, KY
2001 Idaho, Post 13, Lewiston, ID
2002 Minnesota, Post 259, Excelsior, MN
2003 North Carolina, Post 100, Cherryville, NC
2004 Washington
2005 Washington, Post 34, Kennewick, WA
2006 Indiana, Post 346, Terre Haute, IN
2007 Minnesota, Outside Sponsor, Eden Prairie, MN
2008 Washington, Post 34, Pasco, WA
2009 Oregon, Post 15, Medford, OR
2010 Minnesota, Outside Sponsor, Eden Prairie, MN
2011 Mississippi, Post 49, Tupelo, MS
2012 Department of New Jersey
2013 Petaluma Post 28, Petaluma, CA
2014 Berryhill Post 165, Midland, MI
2015 Crescent City Post 125, New Orleans, LA
FRANK N. BELGRANO, JR. TROPHY

Description:

General: Gold plated pedestal type trophy; figure of a Boy Scout mounted on center pedestal; main pedestal in center surrounded by four smaller pedestals topped with spread eagles; square Bakelite base and height is 32 inches.

Inscription: “Frank N. Belgrano, Jr., Boy Scout Trophy.”

Presented:

In honor of Past National Commander, Frank N. Belgrano, Jr. See “Conditions” for details of award presentation.

Authority:

November 1936 report of National Trophies and Awards Committee as approved by the National Executive Committee.

How Awarded:

To be awarded annually to the department which has rendered the most outstanding service during the period July 31 – August 1 to the program of the Boy Scouts of America.

Conditions:

1. By action of the National Executive Committee, April 29-May 1, 1953, the original trophy is to remain at National Headquarters, and a suitable laminated plaque containing a photograph of the trophy will be awarded to and retained by the winning department. Announcement of the award is to be made at each National Convention.

2. The Frank N. Belgrano, Jr., Trophy is to be awarded annually to the department that has rendered the most outstanding service during the period July 31 – August 1 to the program of the Boy Scouts of America. The award, to be based on the number of troops organized, strength of existing troops and general welfare of the Scout movement under Legion sponsorship within the department based on written reports with substantiating evidence submitted to National Headquarters 15 days prior to the National Convention. The National Commander to name the judges for the annual award.

Recipients:

1936 California
1937 California
1938 California
1939 California
1940 California
1941 California
1942 California
1943 California
1944 California
1945 California
1946 California
1947 California
1948 California
1949 Iowa
1950 Delaware
1951 Oregon
1952 Oregon
1953 Washington
1954 Oregon
1955 Iowa
1956 Utah
1957 Washington
1958 Panama, Canal Zone
1959 District of Columbia
1960 Panama, Canal Zone
1961 Wisconsin
1962 Washington
1963 Wisconsin
1964 Wisconsin
1965 New Jersey
1966 North Carolina
1967 Minnesota
1968 Iowa
1969 Michigan
1970 North Dakota
1971 Iowa
1972 South Dakota
1973 Iowa
1974 Nebraska
1975 Minnesota
1976 Wisconsin
1977 New Jersey
1978 Iowa
1979 Missouri
1980 Nebraska
1981 Iowa
1982 Illinois
1983 California
1984 Minnesota
1985 South Carolina
1986 Illinois
1987 Minnesota
1988 Colorado
1989 Missouri
FRANK N. BELGRANO, JR. TROPHY RECIPIENTS (continued)

1990  Maryland
1991  Minnesota
1992  Iowa
1993  Washington
1994  Maryland
1995  Maryland
1996  Florida
1997  Maryland
1998  Florida
1999  Illinois
2000  Illinois
2001  New Jersey
2002  California
2003  Maryland
2004  Florida
2005  Illinois
2006  Illinois
2007  Maryland
2008  California
2009  North Carolina
2010  Iowa
2011  California
2012  North Carolina
2013  North Carolina
2014  North Carolina
2015  California
**GEORGE W. RULON BASEBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

**Description:**

*General:* Walnut plaque with metal plate for appropriate inscription plus laminated citation.

**Inscription:** George W. Rulon American Legion Baseball Player of the Year presented to (name of recipient) by National Americanism Commission, The American Legion. Year _________.

**Presented By:**


**Authority:**

The American Legion Trophies Manual dated May 15, 1986 and amended by NEC Resolution No. 4, 1986 Pre-Convention renaming the award from “American Legion Baseball Player of the Year” to “George W. Rulon Baseball Player of the Year”.

*Note:* Recipients received this award prior to it becoming an official award.

**How Awarded:**

Plaque is presented to recipient by appropriate official upon conclusion of The American Legion Baseball World Series. Citation is presented to recipient by appropriate official at special Hall of Fame ceremonies at Cooperstown, New York the following summer.

**Conditions:**

1. Presented annually to The American Legion Baseball player participating in the World Series determined by the Selection Committee to best display playing ability, integrity, mental attitude, cooperation, citizenship, sportsmanship and general good conduct.
2. It shall be the responsibility of the National Americanism Division to obtain and make available said award for presentation.
3. The plaque and citation remain the property of the recipient.

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GEORGE W. RULON BASEBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR RECIPIENTS (continued)

2013  Anthony Harrold, Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ
2014  Sean Breen, Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ
2015  Justin Hawkins, Post 193, Chapin, SC
THE HOWARD P. SAVAGE, JUNIOR TROPHY

Description:

General: Silver plated pedestal type trophy with individual figure mounted on top. Base of trophy carries etching of baseball team.

Inscription: “The Howard P. Savage Junior Baseball Trophy.”

Presented:

In honor of Past National Commander, Howard P. Savage, Jr.

Authority:

October 1928 report of Subcommittee on National Trophies and Awards.

How Awarded:

To be awarded annually to that department having within its jurisdiction the baseball team becoming the champion as a result of playing in The American Legion World Series.

Conditions:

1. The original trophy was donated to the National Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, New York on February 5, 1953.
2. A suitable laminated plaque containing a photograph of the trophy will be awarded annually to that department thereof having within its jurisdiction the baseball team that becomes the champion as a result of playing in The American Legion World Series.
3. Announcement of the award is to be made at each National Convention.

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THE HOWARD P. SAVAGE, JUNIOR TROPHY RECIPIENTS (continued)

1993  South Dakota, Post 22, Rapid City, SD
1994  Florida, Post 346, Miami, FL
1995  Hawaii, Aiea Legion Baseball, Inc.,
      Aiea, HI (Outside Sponsor)
1996  Pennsylvania, Post 317, Yardley, PA
1997  Florida, Post 53, Sanford, FL
1998  Illinois, Post 199, Edwardsville, IL
1999  Minnesota, Post 513, New Brighton, MN
2000  California, Post 246, Danville, CA
2001  New Jersey, Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ
2002  Mississippi, Post 212, West Point, MS
2003  Minnesota, Post 92, Rochester, MN
2004  Maine, Portland, ME (Outside Sponsor)
2005  Oklahoma, Post 4, Enid, OK
2006  Louisiana, Post 175, Metairie, LA
2007  Tennessee, Post 19, Columbia, TN
2008  Nevada, Post 76, Las Vegas, NV
2009  Michigan, Post 165, Midland, MI
2010  Oklahoma, Post 170, Midwest City, OK
2011  Minnesota, Eden Prairie, MN (Outside Sponsor)
2012  Louisiana Post 125, New Orleans, LA
2013  Brooklawn Memorial Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ
2014  Brooklawn Memorial Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ
2015  Chapin Post 193, Chapin, SC
Description:

General: Walnut plaque with metal plate scroll.

Inscription: Jack Williams Memorial Leadership Award presented by The American Legion, Department of North Dakota.

Presented By:


Authority:

Award was established in 1967. Awarded annually since established.

How Awarded:

To be awarded annually to the manager and coach of the national championship team, as representative of the adult leadership Williams stressed during his lifetime.

Conditions:

1. The award, one (1) each, given to both the manager and coach of the championship team will be presented by a duly authorized representative of The American Legion Department of North Dakota at the close of the annual World Series of American Legion Baseball.
2. It shall be the responsibility of the National Americanism Division to obtain and make available said awards for presentation.
3. The award is to remain the property of the recipient.

Recipients:

1968 Manager: Tony Gagliaon, Post 1, Memphis, TN Coach: John Camp
1969 Manager: Leo Wyans, Post 105, Portland, OR Coach: Dick L. McClain
1970 Manager: Don L. Sealy, Post 790, West Covina, CA Coach: Joe Opatkiewicz
1971 Manager: Don L. Sealy, Post 790, West Covina, CA Coach: William Kagy
1972 Manager: Bill Bullock, Post 611, Ballwin, MO Coaches: Donald J. Loehr and Bob Umfleet
1973 Manager: Rolando Bernacet, Post 146, Rio Piedras, PR Coach: Alfredo Carlo Toro
1974 Manager: Rolando Bernacet, Post 146, Rio Piedras, PR Coach: Alfredo Carlo Toro
1975 Manager: Dale L. Ehler, Post 36, Yakima, WA Coach: Robert A. Garretson
1976 Manager: Al Montanari, Post 123, Santa Monica, CA Coach: Tom McCaffrey
1977 Manager: Mel Machuca, Post 50, South Bend, IN Coach: Bill Barcome
1978 Manager: Louis Reilly, Post 32, Hialeah, FL Coach: James Trout
1979 Manager: Robert W. Garretson, Post 36, Yakima, WA Coach: Robert A. Garretson
1980 Manager: Clyde Hayashida, Moiliili Legion Baseball, Honolulu, HI Coach: Ronald Jacobs
1982 Manager: Richard L. Ludy, Post 471, Boyertown, PA Coach: David L. Specht
1983 Manager: Clifton Olsen, Post 471, Edina, MN Coach: Bruce Barron
1984 Manager: Jose Centeno, Post 134, Guaynabo, PR Coach: Javier Centeno
1985 Manager: Maurice O. Beck, Post 186, Midlothian, VA Coach: David M. George
1986 Manager: Robert J. Shaw, Post 126, Jensen Beach, FL Coach: Floyd J. Wilkes
1987 Manager: David Specht, Post 471, Boyertown, PA Coach: Randy Koch
1988 Manager: Charles McMichen, Post 507, Cincinnati, OH Coach: Tom Kilgore
1989 Manager: Gary Gibson, Post 826, woodland Hills, CA Coach: Don Hornback
1990 Manager: Bernard P. Walter, Jr., Post 226, Mayo, MD Coach: Wilfredo Trinidad
1991 Manager: Joe Barth, Sr., Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ Coach: Joe Barth, Jr.
1993 Manager: Dave Poof, Post 22, Rapid City, SD Coaches: Steve Wolff and Carl Stonecipher
1995 Manager: Alan Higuchi, Aiea Legion Baseball, Inc., Aiea, HI Coaches: Garrett Mago and Garret Yukumoto
1996 Manager: Meade Tenaglia, Post 317, Yardley, PA Coaches: Joe Ferraro and Paul Zavorski
1997 Manager: Rod Ferguson, Post 53, Sanford, FL Coaches: Jack Diemer and Ken Birch
1998 Manager: Ken Schaake, Post 199, Edwardsville, IL Coaches: Steve Haug, Keith Opel and Mike Schaake
1999  Manager: Jeff Larsen, Post 513, New Brighton, MN  
     Coaches: Mark Paone and Mike Maslowski
2000  Manager: Don Johns, Post 246, Danville, CA  
     Coaches: John McGough, John Rodrigues,  
               Pat Evans and Andy Faria
2001  Manager: Joe Barth, Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ  
     Coaches: Dennis Barth and Tim Gunn
2002  Manager: Frank Portera, Post 212, West Point, MS  
     Coach: Tyler Bratton
2003  Manager: None  
     Coaches: Tony Beck and Keith Kangas, Post 92,  
              Rochester, MN
2004  Manager: None  
     Coaches: Mike D’Andrea, Daniel MacDuffie and  
              Chris Grant, Nova Seafood, Portland,  
              ME (Outside Sponsor)
2005  Manager: Billy Mayberry, Post 4, Enid, OK  
     Coaches: Chris Jensen and Butch Lingenfelter
2006  Manager: David Baudry, Post 175, Metairie, LA  
     Coaches: Brady Benoit and Anthony Longo
2007  Manager: Mickey McKeel, Post 19, Columbia, TN  
     Coaches: Eddy Alred and Jack Kercado
2008  Manager: Chris Sheff, Post 76, Las Vegas, NV  
     Coaches: Scott Baker and Gino Campagna
2009  Manager: Dan Cronkright, Post 165, Midland, MI  
     Coaches: Steven Cronkright and Patrick Dawson
2010  Manager: Doug Weese, Post 170, Midwest City, OK  
     Coaches: Shane Hawk, Jerry Long and Derek Snell
2011  Manager: Scott Hackett, Eden Prairie, MN  
     Coaches: Mike Halloran and John Buteyn  
               (Outside Sponsor)
2012  Manager: Joey Latino, Post 125, New Orleans, LA  
     Coaches: Kenneth Goodlett and Jeffery Chappuis
2013  Manager: Joe Barth, Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ  
     Coaches: Dennis Barth, Michael Brown,  
              Josh Copskey, William Gore,  
              Steve Mondile and Michael Rucci
2014  Manager: Dennis Barth, Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ  
     Coaches: Josh Copskey, William Gore,  
              Steve Mondile and Michael Rucci
2015  Manager: Ken Minasian, Post 193, Chapin, SC  
     Coaches: Daniel Gregory, David Coats,  
              Marion Baker and Michael Robertson
JAMES F. DANIEL, JR. MEMORIAL SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

Description:

General: Walnut plaque with metal plate for appropriate inscription.

Inscription: James F. Daniel, Jr., Memorial Sportsmanship Award presented to [name of recipient] by National Americanism Commission, The American Legion. Year __________

Presented By:


Authority:

NEC Resolution No. 29, May 5-6, 1965.

Note: Recipients received this award prior to it becoming an official award.

How Awarded:

By appropriate American Legion Baseball representative at the conclusion of the World Series of American Legion Baseball.

Conditions:

1. Presented annually to The American Legion Baseball player participating in the World Series that is determined by the Selection Committee to best represent the principles of good sportsmanship emphasized by the program.
2. It shall be the responsibility of the National Americanism Division to obtain and make available said award for presentation.
3. The award remains the property of the recipient.

Recipients:

1956 Bill Oerding, Post 16, Roseburg, OR
1957 Karl Haag, Post 102, Portland, OR
1958 Scott Seger, Post 50, Cincinnati, OH
1959 Hartwell Routten, Post 48, Hampton, VA
1960 Robert M. Fry, Post 4, Billings, MT
1961 Larry Staley, Post 1, Phoenix, AZ
1962 John Matias, Post 11, Honolulu, HI
1963 Oscar Brown, Post 27, Long Beach, CA
1964 Joseph F. Moody, III, Post 9, Charlotte, NC
1965 William K. Oakley, Post 1, Memphis, TN
1966 Buddy LeRoy Plummer, Post 4, Enid, OK
1967 Randall Ryan, Post 34, Tuscaloosa, AL
1968 Lonnie Michael Young, Post 47, Timmonsville, SC
1969 William McKinley McCord, III, Post 105, Portland, OR
1970 Gil W. Stafford, Post 1, Phoenix, AZ
1971 Michael Leroy Curran, Post 5, Cedar Rapids, IA
1972 Robert Michael Umfleet, Post 611, Ballwin, MO
1973 Jose Ramon Lugo, Post 146, Rio Piedras, PR
1974 Glenn Heard, Post 92, Lake Oswego, OR
1975 Curtiss Dean Becker, Post 5, Cedar Rapids, IA
1976 Michael James Boddicker, Post 5, Cedar Rapids, IA
1977 Scott Benedict, Post 12, West Palm Beach, FL
1978 John Small Maner, Post 420, Springfield, MA
1979 Stephen Michael Petersen, Post 158, Barrington, IL
1980 Bob Melvin, Post 375, Palo Alto, CA
1981 Keith Eric Peterson, R.C. Winter Construction Co., Bellevue, WA
1982 Michael David Hufhand, Post 6, Kokomo, IN
1983 John Ludy, Post 471, Boyertown, PA
1984 John McGottigan, Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ
1985 Bobby Jones, Carmichel Elks, Sacramento, CA
1986 Tom Griffen, Post 8, Las Vegas, NV
1987 Brett Blechschmidt, Post 176, Vancouver, WA
1988 Pete Rose, II, Post 507, Cincinnati, OH
1989 Larry Sheets, Post 81, Gonzales, LA
1990 Richard Otero, Post 48, Bayamon, PR
1991 Jason Williams, All Star Team (OS), Gonzales, LA
1992 John Klopp, Post 208, Arlington Heights, IL
1993 Chad Stevenson, Post 8, Las Vegas, NV
1994 Erick Gomez, Post 299, Chino, CA
1995 Woody Heath, Bellevue, WA (Outside Sponsor)
1996 Andy Hoffman, Post 165, Midland, MI
1997 Andy Neufeld, Post 53, Sanford, FL
1998 Ralph Roberts, Post 100, Cherryville, NC
1999 Timothy Brusseau, Jr., Post 39, Wood River, VT
2000 Matt Brown, Post 246, Danville, CA
2001 Julius Smith, Post 13, Lewiston, ID
2002 Ronny Woods, Post 12, Dothan, AL
2003 Michael Badger, Post 92, Rochester, MN
2004 Ryan Reid, Portland, ME (Outside Sponsor)
2005 Tyson Seng, Post 4, Enid, OK
2006 Brady Shoemaker, Post 346, Terre Haute, IN
2007 Holden Killen, Post 19, Columbia, TN
2008 Paul Sewald, Post 76, Las Vegas, NV
2009 Garret Yatch, Post 165, Midland, MI
2010 Blake Schmit, Eden Prairie, MN
2011 Brandon Woodruff, Post 49, Tupelo, MS
2012 Brent Tenuto, Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ
2013 Robbie Podorsky, Post 81, Gonzales, LA
2014 Tanner Gross, Post 165, Midland, MI
2015 Ben Hess, Post 125, New Orleans, LA
AMERICAN LEGION JUNIOR SHOOTING SPORTS TROPHY

Description:

*General:* Four walnut trophies with raised American Legion Emblem and enlarged wooden depiction of a .177 caliber air rifle pellet placed on center panel.

*Inscription:*
“Precision – Individual USA Shooting National Junior Olympic Air Rifle Championship”
“Precision – Team USA Shooting National Junior Olympic Air Rifle Championship”
“Sporter – Individual USA Shooting National Junior Olympic Air Rifle Championship”
“Sporter – Individual USA Shooting National Junior Olympic Air Rifle Championship”

*Presented By:* 

*Authority:* 
NEC Resolution No. 9, May 9-10, 2001.

*How Awarded:* 
By appropriate national official of The American Legion at a time and place convenient to all parties concerned.

*Conditions:* 
1. By action of the National Executive Committee, May 9-10, 2001, the original trophies are to remain at National Headquarters, a suitable laminated plaque containing a photograph of the trophy and American Legion marksmanship medals with neck ribbons will be awarded to the respective winners.
2. Said trophies to be awarded annually to the top performing individual and team in the Sporter and Precision categories competing in the annual USA Shooting National Junior Olympic Air Rifle Championship who are members of clubs and teams affiliated with The American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Program.

Recipients:

2001

Precision Team: Langhorne Rod & Gun Club, Post 440, Levittown, PA – Jason Lere, Brian Kern, Lucy Jacobson and Erin Skeuse
Precision Individual: Ryan Tanoue, Puuloa Rifle & Pistol Club, Post 35, Honolulu, HI
Sporter Team: Bogalusa High School AJROTC, Post 24, Bogalusa, LA – Logan Brouillette, Brandon Green, Brian Phillips and Brandon Applewhite
Sporter Individual: Logan Brouillette, Bogalusa High School AJROTC, Post 24, Bogalusa, LA

2002

Precision Team: Palmyra Sportsman, Post 160, Hershey, PA – Jamie Beyerle, Vicki Goss, James Miller and Justin Sparks
Precision Individual: James Hall, Wolf Creek Young Shooters, Post 160, Carrollton, GA
Sporter Team: Bogalusa High School AJROTC, Post 24, Bogalusa, LA – Brandon Applewhite, Cody Cleland, Brandon Green and Brian Phillips
Sporter Individual: Brandon Green, Bogalusa High School AJROTC, Post 24, Bogalusa, LA

2003

Precision Team: Palmyra Wrecking Crew II, Post 72, Palmyra, PA – Leslie Angeli, Cody Rutter, Justin Sparks, and Brad Stepp
Precision Individual: Daniel Belluzzo, Itasca County 4-H Shooting Sports, Post 60, Grand Rapids, MN
Sporter Team: Homestead 4-H Shooting Club, Post 27, Beatrice, NE – Jace Bures, Micaela Jochum, Nathan Jochum and Clint Sejkora
Sporter Individual: Andrew Hahn, Humboldt Sharpshooters, Post 62, Humboldt, SD

2004

Precision Team: Wolf Creek Young Shooters, Post 160, Smyrna, GA – Jeremy Drennan, Jonathan Hall, Joseph Hall and Phillip Huckaby
Precision Individual: Joseph Hall, Wolf Creek Young Shooters, Post 160, Smyrna, GA
Sporter Team: Homestead 4-H Shooting Club, Post 27, Beatrice, NE – Sarah Broecker, Jace Bures, Micaela Jochum and Clint Sejkora
Sporter Individual: Jace Bures, Homestead 4-H Shooting Club, Post 27, Beatrice, NE

2005

Precision Team: Du Bois Rifle and Pistol Club, Post 17, Du Bois, PA – Christina Dutra, Michael Kulbacki, Justin Pentz and Kyle Smith
Precision Individual: Amanda Jeffries, McAlester Jr. Air Rifle Club, Post 79, McAlester, OK
Sporter Team: Homestead 4-H Shooting Club, Post 27, Beatrice, NE – Jace Bures, Micaela Jochum, Sheena Mahloch and Clint Sejkora
Sporter Individual: Jace Bures, Homestead 4-H Shooting Club, Post 27, Beatrice, NE
2006  
**Precision Individual:** Michael Kulbacki, Du Bois Rifle and Pistol Club, Post 17, Du Bois, PA – Michael Kulbacki, Justin Pentz, Kyle Smith and Kyle Yebermetsky
**Sporter Team:**: Du Bois Rifle and Pistol Club, Post 17, Du Bois, PA

2007  
**Precision Individual:**: Ethan Settemires, Cross Roads Sport Shooting, Post 6, Corinth, MS
**Sporter Team:**: R.L. Paschal High School JROTC, Post 569, Rockland, TX – Amanda Aguiler, Xentri Garza, Dean Harmon and Daniel Hilario, Jr.

2008  
**Precision Individual:** Abigail Stanec, Ashland Eagles, Post 473, Copley, OH
**Sporter Team:**: Ozark High School JROTC, Post 639, Springfield, MO – Jacob Edwards, Kelsea Hunt, Shawn Spradling and Rob Thompson

2009  
**Precision Individual:**: Kaitlin Pennell, Lincoln Rifle Club, Post 264, Lincoln, CA
**Sporter Individual:**: William Eades, III, C.E. Byrd High School JROTC, Post 6, Shreveport, LA

2010  
**Precision Individual:**: Hannah Weatherford, North Little Rock High School JROTC, Post 40, North Little Rock, AR
**Precision Individual:**: Gabriel Palermo, Freeport High School NJROTC, Post 139, Freeport, IL

2011  
**Precision Individual:**: Daniel Lowe, Capital City Junior Rifle Team, Post 2, Olympia, WA
**Sporter Team:**: Patriot Shooting Club, Post 233, Varina, VA – Joshua Black, Sarah Osborn, Timothy Teller and Thomas Wheeless

2012  
**Precision Individual:**: Cody Sanchez, Valencia County 4-H, Post 85, Los Lunas, NM
**Sporter Individual:**: Rachael Schoenrock, Homestead 4-H, Post 27, Beatrice, NE

2013  
**Precision Individual:**: Colt Gross, North Augusta County 4-H, Post 95, Woodstock, GA
**Sporter Individual:**: Rachael Schoenrock, Homestead 5-H, Post 27, Beatrice, NE

2014  
**Precision Individual:**: Isela Velazques, R. L. Paschal JROTC, Post 569, Ft. Worth, TX
**Sporter Individual:**: Sarah Osborn, Patriot Shooting Club of VA, Post 233, Richmond, VA

2015  
**Precision Individual:**: Sarah Sutton, Black Swamp Junior Rifle Club, Post 114, Oak Harbor, OH
**Sporter Individual:**: Gabriel Palermo, Freeport High School NJROTC, Post 139, Freeport, IL
THE AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL SLUGGER TROPHY
(RENAMED FROM LOUISVILLE SLUGGER TROPHY)

Description:

General: Walnut plaque with metal plate for appropriate inscription.

Inscription: The American Legion Baseball Slugger Trophy presented to (name of recipient), Year ___________.

Presented By:

National Headquarters, The American Legion, National Americanism Commission

Authority:

NEC Resolution No. 29, May 5-6, 1965; and amended by NEC Resolution No. 6, May 8-9, 2013 renaming the awards from “Louisville Slugger Trophy” to “The American Legion Baseball Slugger Trophy”. Note: Recipients received this award prior to it becoming an official award.

How Awarded:

Plaque is presented to recipient, or his representative, by an appropriate official upon the conclusion of The American Legion Baseball World Series.

Conditions:

1. The original trophy was donated to the National Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, New York on February 5, 1953.
2. Presented annually to The American Legion Baseball Player who established the highest batting average in regional tournament and World Series games.
3. It shall be the responsibility of the National Americanism Division to obtain and make available said award for presentation.
4. The plaque remains the property of the recipient.

Recipients:

1945  Lee Carrey, Post 7, Tucson, AZ
1946  Victor Kauffman, Post 50, Cincinnati, OH
1947  George Moeller, Post 50, Cincinnati, OH
1948  Don Hunter, Post 1, Omaha, NE
1949  J. W. Porter, Post 337, Oakland, CA
1950  W. Porter, Post 337, Oakland, CA
1951  Grover Jones, Jr., Post 135, White Plains, NY
1952  Horace Tucker, Jr., Post 364, San Diego, CA
1953  Charles Selinger, Post 10, Winnetka, IL
1954  Jim Galasso, Post 492, San Diego, CA
1955  Richard Herzenrader, Post 3, Lincoln, NE
1956  Lawrence Goudy, Post 245, St. Louis, MO
1957  Fred Fox, Post 50, Cincinnati, OH
1958  Kenneth Peters, Post 50, Cincinnati, OH
1959  Louis Webb, Post 1, Phoenix, AZ
1960  Robert M. Fry, Post 4, Billings, MT
1961  Kenneth McEwen, Post 1, Omaha, NE
1962  Fred C. Balmer, Post 1, Hampton, VA
1963  Jerry Mattingly, Post 8, Evansville, IN
1964  Roland G. Fingers, Post 73, Upland, CA
1965  Roland A. Goulet, Jr., Post 36, Berlin, NH
1966  Ronald N. Harris, Post 38, Washington, DC
1967  Joseph Cherico, Post 30, New Castle, DE
1968  Martin A. Dominguez, Post 235, San Antonio, TX
1969  John David Adeiny, Post 12, West Palm Beach, FL
1970  Ronald Lee Brown, Post 1, Phoenix, AZ
1971  Rodney Davis Walton, Post 1, Phoenix, AZ
1972  Keith A. Kauzer, Post 1, Memphis, TN
1973  Carlos S. Rodriguez, Post 146, Rio Piedras, PR
1974  Edwin C. Lopez, Post 146, Rio Piedras, PR
1975  Arnulfo Camacho, Post 113, San Juan, PR
1976  David Carl Stokes, Post 175, Metairie, LA
1977  William F. Schell, Post 50, South Bend, IN
1978  Douglas J. Palmer, Post 132, New Ulm, MN
1979  Steven P. Wolf, Post 22, Rapid City, SD
1980  Cedric Gray, post 375, Palo Alto, CA
1981  Roger Hulse, Post 1, Tulsa, OK
1982  Ivan S. Snyder, Post 471, Boyertown, PA
1983  Reynaldo “Chito” Martinez, Post 367, New Orleans, LA
1984  Jon D. Bradley, Post 1, Millington, TN
1985  Greg Olson, Post 1, Omaha, NE
1986  Steve Nelson, Post 1, Omaha, NE
1987  Bobby Jones, Carmichael Elks, Sacramento, CA
1988  Mitch Hannahs, Post 66, Maynard, OH
1989  Brad Dolejsi, Post 170, Midwest City, OK
1990  Scott Hughes, Post 507, Cincinnati, OH
1991  Del Marine, Post 826, Woodland Hills, CA
1992  Brett O’Dez, Post 226, Mayo, MD
1993  Bob Pailthorp, Post 837, Union City, CA
1994  Brannon Weisel, Post 2, Fargo, ND
1995  Ryan Merritt, Post 22, Rapid City, SD
1996  Bob Barth, Jr., Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ
1997  Jason Adaro, Aiea Legion Baseball, Inc., Aiea, HI
1998  Bryan Gehlen, Post 176, Vancouver, WA
1999  Nate Philo, Post 15, Medford, OR
2000  Chad Opel, Post 199, Edwardsville, IL
2001  Kenny Judd, Post 111, Edmond, OK
2002  Matt Ryan, Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ
2003  Rich Chinn, Post 246, Canville, CA
2004  Josh Sowell, Post 12, Dothan, AL
2005  Andy Console, Post 149, Haddon Heights, NJ
2006  Tommy Cauley, Post 6, Deland, FL
2005  Mike Tamsin, Post 83, Branford, CT
2006  Brady Shoemaker, Post 346, Terre Haute, IN
2007  Kevin Hussey, Post 7, Tucson, AZ
2008  Brandon Bass, Post 374, Omaha, NE
2009  T. J. White, Post 76, Las Vegas, NV
2010  Jack Hager, Post 40, Las Vegas, NV
2011  Dylan Huskey, Post 109, Gaffney, SC
2012  Evan Ryan, Post 1, Omaha, NE
2013  Anthony Harrold, Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ
2014  Sean Breen, Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ
2015  Ben Hess, Post 125, New Orleans, LA
Ralph T. O’Neil Education Trophy

Description:

General: Silver plated trophy shield mounted on plaque with wood background on which is superimposed boys and girls school award medals.

Inscription: “Ralph T. O’Neil Education Trophy. Awarded annually to that department showing the greatest Americanism activity in use of The American Legion School Medal Awards.”

Presented:

In honor of Past National Commander, Ralph T. O’Neil. See “Conditions” for details of award presentation.

Authority:

May 6, 1932 report of the National Trophies and Awards Committee; amended by Resolution No. 35, NEC, May 13-14, 1992.

How Awarded:

Awarded annually to that department, in the United States, showing the greatest Americanism activity in use of The American Legion School Medal Awards.

Conditions:

1. By action of the National Executive Committee, April 29-May 1, 1953, the original trophy is to remain at National Headquarters, and a suitable laminated plaque containing a photograph of the trophy will be awarded to and retained by the winning department. Announcement of the award is to be made at each National Convention.
2. The Ralph T. O’Neil Education Trophy will be awarded annually to that department, in the United States, showing the greatest Americanism activity in use of The American Legion School Medal Awards. The winner of this trophy shall be determined by: a) the number of “American Legion School Medal Awards” recorded on the Consolidated Post Report form; b) the number of awards per department is then divided by the number of posts in the department; and c) the department with the highest percentage will be declared the winner of the Ralph T. O’Neil Education Trophy.
3. This award shall be confined to all departments in the United States.

Note: Prior to 1992, the winners of this trophy were determined by the number of orders for American Legion School Awards purchased from the National Organization’s Emblem Division and credited to each department by the close of business on that date which falls thirty days prior to the National Convention of The American Legion as compared with the total number of posts in the department concerned on December 31 of the immediate preceding year.

Recipients:

1932 Pennsylvania
1933 Pennsylvania
1934 Pennsylvania
1935 Pennsylvania
1936 Pennsylvania
1937 Pennsylvania
1938 Pennsylvania
1939 Pennsylvania
1940 Pennsylvania
1941 Pennsylvania
1942 Pennsylvania
1943 Illinois
1944 Pennsylvania
1945 Pennsylvania
1946 Pennsylvania
1947 Illinois
1948 Mississippi
1949 Illinois
1950 Mississippi
1951 Mississippi
1952 Mississippi
1953 Mississippi
1954 Mississippi
1955 Mississippi
1956 Mississippi
1957 Pennsylvania
1958 Arizona
1959 Mississippi
1960 Pennsylvania
1961 Mississippi
1962 Arizona
1963 California
1964 Arizona
1965 Arizona
1966 Mississippi
1967 Arizona
1968 Arizona
1969 Mississippi
1970 None Awarded
1971 Arizona
1972 Arizona
1973 Arizona
1974 Florida
1975 Louisiana
RALPH T. O’NEIL EDUCATION TROPHY RECIPIENTS (continued)

1976  Arizona
1977  Florida
1978  District of Columbia
1979  Florida
1980  District of Columbia
1981  Mississippi
1982  District of Columbia
1983  District of Columbia
1984  Florida
1985  District of Columbia
1986  District of Columbia
1987  District of Columbia
1988  District of Columbia
1989  District of Columbia
1990  Florida
1991  Florida
1992  Florida
1993  West Virginia
1994  Florida
1995  Florida
1996  Florida
1997  District of Columbia
1998  Wisconsin
1999  Wyoming
2000  Arizona
2001  Florida
2002  Wyoming
2003  West Virginia
2004  Florida
2005  Arizona
2006  Florida
2007  Maryland
2008  Florida
2009  Vermont
2010  Alaska
2011  Maryland
2012  Hawaii
2013  New Mexico
2014  Pennsylvania
2015  Maryland
**THE AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL “BIG STICK” AWARD**
(RENAMED FROM RAWLINGS “BIG STICK” AWARD)

**Description:**

*General:* Trophy approximately two feet tall with three miniature wooden bats stacked in a pyramid on a base resembling home plate.

*Inscription:* “(year) The American Legion Big Stick Award, Presented to (name of recipient).”

**Presented By:**


**Authority:**

NEC Resolution No. 18, May 3, 1972; and amended by NEC Resolution No. 7, May 8-9, 2013 renaming the award from “Rawlings “Big Stick” Award to “The American Legion Baseball “Big Stick” Award”.

**How Awarded:**

To be awarded annually to that American Legion Baseball player having the highest total number of bases as determined by the official scorers of the respective regional tournaments and World Series of American Legion Baseball.

**Conditions:**

1. The award is to become the property of the recipient. It shall be presented at the close of the annual World Series of American Legion Baseball.
2. The award is to be made to that player who, according to the records of the official scorers, is credited with the highest total number of bases during the regional tournaments and World Series of American Legion Baseball.
3. It shall be the responsibility of the National Americanism and Children & Youth Division to see said award is obtained and available for presentation.

(Note: This award was originally known as the Adirondack “Big Stick” Award. The name was changed in 1974 after Adirondack Industries was absorbed by Rawlings Sporting Goods.)

**Recipients:**

* *Tie

1972  Keith Andrew Kauerz, Post 1, Memphis, TN
1973  Thomas Steven Ashford, Post 1, Memphis, TN
1974  Gregory Tooley, Post 254, Rockport, IN
1975*  David Edler, Post 36, Yakima, WA
1975*  Dennis Duncanson, Post 142, Fullerton, CA
1976  Gus Malespin, Post 175, Metairie, LA
1977  Doug Roberson, Post 12, West Palm Beach, FL
1978  Ivan Mesa, Post 32, Hialeah, FL
1979  Juan Cruz, Post 36, Yakima, WA
1980  Thomas Gill, Post 32, Hialeah, FL
1981  Kevin Sickinger, Post 361, Richmond, VA
1982  Ronald DeLucchi, Post 517, Lafayette, CA
1983  Reynaldo “Chito” Martinez, Post 367, New Orleans, LA
1984  Jose Marzan, Post 134, Guaynabo, PR
1985  Mike Musolino, Carmichel Elks, Sacramento, CO
1986  Dan Opperman, Post 8, Las Vegas, NV
1987*  Jeff Seymour, Post 471, Boyertown, PA
1987*  Tad Thompson, Post 176, Vancouver
1988  Scott Hughes, Post 507, Cincinnati, OH
1989  Del Marine, Post 826, Woodland Hills, CA
1990  Ricardo Otero, Post 48, Bayamon, PR
1991  Bob Paithorpe, Post 837, Union City, CA
1992  Mike Harris, Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ
1993  Allen Layman, Post 88, Norman, OK
1994  Esteban Barrios, Post 346, Miami, FL
1995  Jason Adaro, Aiea Legion Baseball, Inc., Aiea, HI
1996  James Jarreau, Post 81, Gonzales, LA
1997  Nate Philo, Post 15, Medford, OR
1998  Ralph Roberts, Post 100, Cherryville, NC
1999  Brian Paone, Post 513, New Brighton, MN
2000*  Al Smith, Post 1, Omaha, NE
2000*  Mark Michael, Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ
2000*  Ryan Lymangover, Post 246, Danville, CA
2001  Nate Martin, Post 13, Lewiston, ID
2002*  Josh Sowell, Post 12, Dothan, AL
2002*  Corey Carter, Post 212, West Point, MS
2003  Joey Briggs, Post 11, Corvallis, OR
2004  Steve Marquardt, Post 34, Kennewick, WA
2005  Zac Berg, Post 4, Enid, OK
2006  Brady Shoemaker, Post 346, Terre Haute, IN
2007  Marc Damon, Post 7, Tucson, AZ
2008  Max Garrett, Post 34, Pasco, WA
2009  Kyle O’Boyle, Post 165, Midland, MI
2010  Matt Halloran, Eden Prairie, MN (Dept Sponsor)
2011  Tony Skjefte, Eden Prairie, MN (Dept Sponsor)
2012  Evan Ryan, Post 1, Omaha, NE
2013  Anthony Bender, Post 28, Petaluma, CA
2014  Sean Breen, Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ
2015  Justin Hawkins, Post 193, Chapin, SC
Description:

General: Metal plaque mounted on walnut panel; spread eagle on top; feminine figure in center holding Constitution of the United States scroll; phalanx of young persons on each side.

Inscription: “For God and Country. The Spafford Oratorical Award. Awarded annually to that department sponsoring the winner of the National High School Oratorical Contest.”

Presented:

In honor of Past National Commander, Edward E. Spafford. See “Conditions” for details of award presentation.

Authority:

May 1941 report of National Trophies and Awards Committee as approved by the National Executive Committee.

How Awarded:

To be awarded annually to that department of The American Legion having within its jurisdiction the winner of the National High School Oratorical Contest.

Conditions:

1. By action of the National Executive Committee, April 29-May 1, 1953, the original trophy is to remain at National Headquarters and a suitable laminated plaque containing a photograph of the trophy will be awarded to and retained by the winning department. Announcement of the award is to be made at each National Convention.
2. Said trophy to be awarded annually to that department of The American Legion having within its jurisdiction the winner of the National High School Oratorical Contest.

Recipients:

1941 Idaho – Frank Church, Boise, ID
1942 Tennessee – Albert P. Smith, Jr., Hendersonville, TN
1943 Illinois – Burton Bernard, Granite City, IL
1944 Nebraska – Brent Bozell, Omaha, NE
1945 New Jersey – Robert Kelly, Jersey City, NJ
1946 California – William O. Wollin, Los Gatos, CA
1947 California – Roy F. Greenaway, Fresno, CA
1948 Florida – James Grant, Orlando, FL
1949 Missouri – Paul T. Hoyne, Concordia, MO
1950 Oklahoma – Jim Robinson, Blackwell, OK
1951 Virginia – Jeanne-Mann Dickinson, Roanoke, VA
1952 Kansas – Cliff Thompson, Kansas City, KS
1953 New York – Joel M. Bernstein, Buffalo, NY
1954 Kansas – Jack McNeely, Kansas City, KS
1955 California – Michael Miller, Los Angeles, CA
1956 Tennessee – Daniel A. Duckworth, Cleveland, TN
1957 California – Dan Elliott McCall, Modesto, CA
1958 Indiana – Reed Stewart, Brazil, IN
1959 Illinois – Roger R. Majak, Lansing, IL
1960 Kansas – Lanny Unruh, Newton, KS
1962 Oklahoma – Patricia Turner, Muskogee, OK
1963 New Jersey – Stephen Alan Oxman, Short Hills, NJ
1964 Wisconsin – David B. Marth, Wausau, WI
1965 California – James Franklin Kay, Fullerton, CA
1966 Arizona – Ronald Timothy McCoy, Nogales, AZ
1967 Texas – Alan Lee Keyes, San Antonio, TX
1969 California – Benjamin Gene Davidian, Jr., Tracy, CA
1970 Massachusetts – Michael P. Gallagher, Somerville, MA
1971 Texas – William H. White, San Antonio, TX
1972 South Carolina – Thomas W. Joiner, Rock Hill, SC
1973 Illinois – John W. Frost, Peoria, IL
1974 Indiana – Steven L. Zeller, Columbus, IN
1975 Maryland – Michael B. Begley, Baltimore, MD
1976 Hawaii – Robert Halvorson Mau, Honolulu, HI
1977 Illinois – Mark R. Thompson, Glen Ellyn, IL
1978 Oklahoma – Debra Annette Morris, Lawton, OK
1979 Pennsylvania – Fernando Bach, Jr., Lafayette Hill, PA
1980 Oklahoma – Laura M. Vance, Lawton, OK
1981 Michigan – Marlene Van Dyke, Grand Rapids, MI
1982 California – William Kephart, Jr., Chillicothe, IL
1983 Virginia – Keith Zinch, Blacksburg, VA
1984 Pennsylvania – Arthur Jordan, Pittsburgh, PA
1985 Wisconsin – Gwen Connolly, Cedarburg, WI
1986 Iowa – Jennifer J. Demmon, Marshalltown, IA
1987 Massachusetts – Mary Agness Barbier, West Quincy, MA
1988 Maryland – Philip Paliath, Baltimore, MD
1989 Maryland – Martin Kelly, Jr., Hydes, MD
1990 Kentucky – Joshua E. Boyd, Ft. Thomas, KY
1991 California – Jack L. White, Walnut, CA
1992 Maryland – Kerri Ruttenberg, Columbia, MD
1993 Georgia – Cedric L. Ollison, Quitman, GA
1994 Texas – Lisa Tsai, Houston, TX
1995 New York – Aron Egner, Ballston Lake, NY
1996 Arizona – Kaleen Love, Mesa, AZ
1997 New Hampshire – Alexander Henlin, Dracut, MA
1998 Maryland – Erin Plettenberg, Parkton, MD
1999 Texas – Kevin Sladek, San Marcos, TX
2000 Iowa – Max Miller, Ankeny, IA
2001 Texas – Caleb Williams, Lewisville, TX
SPAFFORD NATIONAL TROPHY RECIPIENTS (continued)

2002  Alabama – Candace Neal, Eva, AL
2003  Minnesota – Henry Shea, IV, Wayzata, MN
2004  Georgia – Philip Bishop, Albany, GA
2005  California – Daniel Berring, Orinda, CA
2006  Tennessee – Nicholas Elledge, Knoxville, TN
2007  Florida – Co’Relous Bryant, Jacksonville, FL
2008  Maryland – Spencer Harjung, Elkton, MD
2009  Indiana – Andrew Dykstal, Lafayette, IN
2010  South Carolina – Victoria Black, Iva, SC
2011  Missouri – Anisha Gururaj, Chesterfield, MO
2012  Indiana – Rebecca Frazer, Morgantown, IN
2013  Missouri – Agnes Rieger, MO
2014  Missouri – Ashwath Kumar, MO
2015  Florida – Geeta Minocha, FL
FRANCIS M. REDINGTON SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

Description:

General: 12” x 21.25” x 7.5” walnut beveled edge base with one 10.5” x 5” brass portrait plate etched; brass description plate and twenty 4” x 1” brass nameplates screwed into a base.

Recipient plaque: 8” x 10” x 7.5” walnut beveled edge base with brass portrait plate photo etched and brass description plate.

Inscription: “Francis M. Redington Sportsmanship Award”.

Presented:


Authority:

NEC Resolution No. 33, May 4-5, 2005.

How Awarded:

By appropriate national official of The American Legion at the annual Junior Air Rifle National Championship Tournament.

Conditions:

1. By the NEC of The American Legion assembled in Indianapolis, Indiana, May 4-5, 2005, That The American Legion established the “Francis M. Redington Sportsmanship Award.
2. The Americanism Commission be authorized to annually present the “Francis M. Redington Sportsmanship Award to the athlete competing in The American Legion Junior Air Rifle National Championship who best exemplifies good sportsmanship and fair play.
3. This award is to be presented at the 2005 American Legion Junior Air Rifle National Championship and each year thereafter, and that the award be listed in The American Legion Trophies and Awards Manual.

Recipients:

2005 Matthew Pueppke, Amenia, ND – Buffalo Sharpshooters, Post 223, Erie, ND

2006 Christina Dutra, Grampian, PA – Du Bois Rifle and Pistol Club, Post 17, Du Bois, PA

2007 Kaitlyn Martin, Peralta, NM – Valencia County 4-H Shooting Sports, Post 85, Los Lunas, NM

2008 James Keith, Albuquerque, NM – La Cueva High School Marine Corps JROTC, Post 49, Albuquerque, NM

2009 Courtney Bates, Geneva, FL and Shayna Thompson, Sims, FL – Oviedo High School Navy JROTC, Post 112, Goldenrod, FL

2010 Shane Russell, Mendon, MI – St. Joseph County 4-H Straight Shooters, Post 170, Three Rivers, MI

2011 Dahkota Hayes, Superior, MT – Mineral County 4-H Shooting Club, Post 13, Superior, MT

2012 Samantha Migliori, Post 151, Middletown, NY

2013 Casey Lutz, Post 113, Meridian, ID

2014 Ryan Lowe, Post 134, Clearfield High School, Clearfield, UT

2015 Howard Norrish, Post 865, Zion Benton High School NJROTC, Winthrop Harbor, IL
DANIEL J. O’CONNOR AMERICANISM TROPHY  
(RENAMED FROM WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST AMERICANISM TROPHY)

Description:
A large gold plated trophy.

Presented:

Authority:

How Awarded:
Awarded annually to that department selected from among the top three departments attaining the greatest number of percentage points which are derived from the activities reported on the Consolidated Post Report form and which submits the best narrative statement supporting the claim of points shown.

Conditions:
1. The National Americanism Commission shall determine the three departments achieving the greatest number of credit points based upon a review of all Consolidated Post Reports submitted to National Headquarters. A Certification by the department as to the number of active posts is required.
2. The winner shall be selected from the aforementioned three departments based on the best narrative statement supporting the claim of points determined from the Consolidated Post Report. Such narrative statement is to be no less than 200 words and not more than 500 words.

Recipients:
1939 Pennsylvania
1940 Illinois
1941 Pennsylvania
1942 California
1943 Illinois
1944 Michigan
1945 Missouri
1946 Oklahoma
1947 Pennsylvania
1948 Pennsylvania
1949 Pennsylvania
1950 Pennsylvania
1951 Pennsylvania
1952 Pennsylvania
1953 North Dakota
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1964 Pennsylvania
1965 New York
1966 Tennessee
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THE AMERICAN LEGION AND SCOUTING “SQUARE KNOT” AWARD

Description:

General: The Award consists of a gold and purple square knot, which may be worn on the Scout uniform and a suitable certificate.

This award is designed to recognize American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary or Sons of The American Legion members who are actively involved in the Scouting programs. This award is not meant to be a selective or limited award, but one that is available to any American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary or Sons of The American Legion member who completes the requirements for the award. The award is meant to recognize dedication and work required by an American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary or Sons of The American Legion member to assist in furthering the Scouting program in The American Legion.

It is expected that American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary or Sons of The American Legion members will work to provide the maximum impact to The American Legion’s support of the Scouting program and to achieve maximum visibility.

Presented By:


Authority:

NEC Resolution No. 34, May 7-8, 2003.

How Awarded/Conditions:

A. Service
   Be registered in a Scouting position at the District or Council level; or a Chartered Organizational Representative (COR); or a District/Council Member-at-Large; or a Unit Commissioner. (The department scouting chairman can help in obtaining this registration.)

B. Training
   Complete at least two of the following:
   1. Attend a National Community Relationships Scouting training seminar.
   2. Participate in a Chartered Organizational Representative (COR) training course.
   3. Complete a BSA District staff-training course. Attend a Woodbadge training program.

C. Tenure
   Serve a total of three consecutive years as a member of a post, district or department Scouting committee.

D. Performance
   While serving as a member of a post, district or department Scouting committee must complete a minimum of five of the following:
   1. Service a minimum of two years as a Post Chartered Organizational Representative for Scouting and demonstrate success with units in terms of growth in program.
   2. Assist the post, district or department to raise funds to support Scouting. Participate with a local BSA District or Council Friends of Scouting fundraising effort.
   3. Participate as member of a BSA District or Council Membership/Relationships committee and represent The American Legion.
   4. Assist in organizing or reorganizing a Cub Pack, Scout Troop or Venture Crew chartered by an American Legion post.
   5. Participate in the Eagle Scout of the Year program at the post, district or department level.
   6. Make contact with Scout Troops and Venture Crews in the area through visits, roundtables or other means and solicit their participation in the National High School Oratorical Contest, Junior Shooting Sports Program, Boys State, American Legion Baseball, Youth Law Cadet and other Americanism programs and document the results of the efforts.
   7. Recruit manpower from the post or district to support a Scout activity such as a camporee, bicycle rodeo, merit badge day or other related event to help further American Legion recognition in support of the Scouting program.
   8. Develop and carry out or participate in an American Legion program to recognize the leaders of Scouting programs in the post, district or department.
   9. Promote and coordinate the development of a network of Department American Legion Scouting Team members to assist in the development of Scouting within The American Legion.
E. Approval

1. Submit appropriate documentation in support of the requirements outlined in sections A, B, C and D.

2. Obtain the written endorsements of the department scouting chairman, department adjutant and department commander that the requirements for this award have been satisfactorily completed.

3. Submit the appropriate documentation and written endorsements to the National Americanism Commission, The American Legion, PO Box 1055, Indianapolis, IN 46206.

F. Awarding Process

Once the award recipients have been selected, the department would arrange for presentation of The American Legion Square Knot award at an appropriate time and place.

Recipients:

2003 None Awarded


2006 Joe Sincworth, Robert Lohne, Edward Kemper, Charles Hall, Paul Corriere, Jr., Maynard Unger, Alan Brenner, Rodger Brown, David Dohm, Jorge Montes, George Lude, Marlene Zimmerman, Jimmie Davis, Gary Pressley, Phillip Keller, Eugene Mozel, Michael Montemorano, Kemper Dadisman, Paul Loecke, Stanley Weinstein, Bernard Flatown, Joseph Quaderer, Ted Holz, III, Charles Hulse, Wesley Elder, John Garvey,
THE AMERICAN LEGION AND SCOUTING “SQUARE KNOT” AWARD RECIPIENTS (continued)

2006

2007

2008

2009

2010

2011

2012
THE AMERICAN LEGION AND SCOUTING “SQUARE KNOT” AWARD RECIPIENTS (continued)


THE AMERICAN LEGION NATIONAL EDUCATION AWARD

Description:

The American Legion National Education Award was first awarded in 1980 to annually honor that person, group or organization, which in the judgment of the National Committee on Education, has conducted the best all-around promotion of the educational programs of The American Legion, education programs that correspond to the goals of The American Legion or education goals at the national level.

Presented By:


Authority:

The American Legion National Education Award was first awarded in 1980 to annually honor that person, group or organization, which in the judgment of the National Committee on education, has conducted the best all-around promotion of the educational programs of The American Legion, education programs that correspond to the goals of The American Legion or education goals at the national level; amended by NEC Resolution No. 6, October 12-13, 2011.

How Awarded:

Presented at each annual National Convention of The American Legion.

Conditions:

1. An individual, group or organization that has promoted the education programs of The American Legion.
2. An individual, group or organization that has promoted education programs that correspond to the goals of The American Legion.
3. An individual, group or organization that has promoted or advanced education programs at the national level.
4. The American Legion will provide one roundtrip coach airfare or vehicle mileage, in accordance with its employee mileage reimbursement rates, staff per diem for two days and lodging for one night in accordance with travel policies of The American Legion for an individual recipient or a single representative of a group or organization to receive the award at National Convention. The American Legion will not provide for any incidental expenses or any expenses incurred by guests accompanying the awardee.

Recipients:

1980 Patricia McCormick, Education writer for UPI
   Joyce Lain Kennedy, Author, Syndicated Columnist
1981 Dr. Kenneth B. Hoyt, Director, Division of Career Education, U.S. Department of Education
1982 None Awarded
1983 Dr. Herm Davis, Education Director, President of National College Services, Ltd.
1984 Dr. Robert Billings, White House Liaison, U.S. Office of Education
1985 Senator Theodore F. “Ted” Stevens, Alaska
1986 Senator Claiborne De Borda Pell, Rhode Island
1987 Bruce L. Christensen, President Public Broadcasting Service
   James Duffy, President of Communications, American Broadcasting Companies
1988 William J. Bennett, Secretary of Education
1989 Barbara Pierce Bush, First Lady
1990 Lauro Fred Cavazos, Secretary of Education
1991 Roy Romer, Governor of Colorado
1992 Dr. William M. Suttles, President Emeritus, Executive Vice President and Provost Emeritus and Professor Emeritus
1993 None Awarded
1994 Dr. W. Firman Haynie, Chairman, NCOE from 1981-1983
1995 The Eddie Eagle Gun Safety Program, Sponsored by The National Rifle Association, Inc.
1996 None Awarded
1997 Dr. Frances Kelly, Director of Voluntary Programs, Department of the Navy, Office of the Chief of Naval Personnel
1998 Educational Communications, Inc.
1999 None Awarded
2000 Jack Mercier, 52-year member of The American Legion, Wisconsin
2001 Tom Brokaw, NBC News, Journalist and Author
2002 Mr. Fred Rogers, Children’s TV personality
2003 William C. Plowden, Jr.
2004 Laura D. Slayton, Illinois
2005 Laura Bush, First Lady
2006 Dr. Charles L. Vawter, Jr., Chairman NCOE from 1994-2005
2007 Bob Keeshan, Captain Kangaroo
2008 Frances A. Swensen, Improving the lives of our nation’s children
2009 Sesame Street Workshops, DVD “When Daddy Comes Limping Home”
2010  None Awarded
2011  Michael Peterson, Nashville, TN
2012  National Education Association
2013  Mr. Tom Clark, Educator, Lake Central High School, St. John, IN
2014  Martha Cothren, Educator, Joe T. Robinson High School, Little Rock, AR
2015  Mrs. Nesse Godin, Holocaust Survivor, Silver Spring, MD
THE AMERICAN LEGION CANADIAN FRIENDSHIP AWARD

Description:

General: Suitable citation (as authorized in NEC Resolution) and medal (authorized by administrative decision).

Inscription: Both citation and medal bear wording: “Canadian Friendship Award” plus seal of The American Legion.

Presented By:


Authority:


How Awarded:

By the National Commander with the advice and consent of the National Executive Committee at such time and place as may be consistent and appropriate.

Conditions:

1. It shall be awarded to specific individuals who shall be war veterans within the accepted meaning of the term and members of authentic veterans’ organization in Canada.
2. It shall be awarded to such individuals in recognition of outstanding service in the field of veterans’ affairs and in the development and perpetuation of the spirit of international good will and comradeship between the United States and Canada and between their veterans’ organization and The American Legion.
3. Nominations for such awards may be made by any member of The American Legion in good standing filed with the Internal Affairs Commission under such procedures established by that committee as are necessary and consistent with the effective administration of such an award. (Copies of an approved nomination form may be obtained from the National Adjutant.)
4. Between meetings of the Internal Affairs Commission, the National Executive Committee and the National Commander with the advice of the Advisory Committee is authorized to present the Canadian Friendship Award to individuals who qualify under the previously stated provisions. Such presentations shall be reported by and through the Internal Affairs Commission to the National Executive Committee at its first meeting following the presentation, and the report shall be made a part of the proceedings of that meeting.
5. The Internal Affairs Commission is charged with the administration of this award.

Recipients:

1970 Hugh Gillis, W. B. Morden, E. J. Potter, Mel Rogers, Frank S. Slater, Russel Ward, Frank Washbrook
1971 Mary C. Driscoll, Berrien Eaton, Alexander Donald Grant, William Albert Johns, Robert Kohaly
1975 Alex Cairns, Edward Doyle Dinsdale, Howard Goldrup, Oliver Hrynychuk, Sgt. William A. Lorette, Robert McChesney
1979  Dennis Joseph Patrick Phillips, Tom Graham, Joseph Lacasse, Rupert V. McCabe
1983  Charles James Breechin, Richard Kirby, R. Norman McLaren, Donald Pirie, Ivan Spate, Walter Williams, Roderick G. Winter
1986  A. P. Baker, Hugh Beaudoin, Clifford Belbin, Richard Burnham, Allan Burns, Charles Byron, Robert Cassels, Arthur William Currie, Clifford Davies, Llewelly Edwards, Earl Fuller, Kenneth Denny Harrison, Donald Halliday,
THE AMERICAN LEGION CANADIAN FRIENDSHIP AWARD RECIPIENTS (continued)

1999 Allan Babcok, Donald L. Gallant, Roderick K. Johnston, Roger Ouellette, Ronald Rivard, Thomas Arthur Snell, Boyd Story
2001 Victor Clifford, Cuthbert Jackson Diamond, Don McAlister


2003 Walter Crummell, Bob Gray, Mrs. Eldreda Hesketh
2004 Steve Ackerman, Charles Albers, Shirley Aldridge, Leo Barron, George Beaulieu, Ruth Bond, Norman Briscoe, Roger Chabot, Edward Emerick, Keith Flight, Rhea Francoeur, John Henderson, Paul Hooper, George Jarvis, Robert Jones, John H. MacDonald, Sr., Beverly Keith-Maxwell, Eldon McCallum, Earl Olsen, Brian Phoenix, Colin Smith, William Thomas, Don White, Shirley Young, Syd Young

2005 Gary Littlewood, Joyce Couturier, Wayne Shaw, Frank Petras
2006 Edward Huitema, Edith Bourgoin
2007 Harvey Shevalier, Don Wood, Omer “Turk” Brunet

2009 None Awarded
2010 George Izzard, Peter Young, Ron Newberry, Gilles Martin, Charlie Smith, Howard Copeman, Dave Low, Michael Donovan, Rick Quigley, Elsie Fraser, Bob Matheson, Gerry Bennett, Dwayne Smith, James Gauvreau, John Yates, Bruce Wright, Alex Zubko, George Ing, Don Bell, Andrew Letemplier, Real Hamelin, Gerald S. Wharton

2011 Pat Varga, Dick Stasuik

2013 Clarence Morrow
2015   Omer J. Brunet
DEPARTMENT AWARD FOR 100% POST CHILDREN & YOUTH REPORTING

Description:
A certificate signed by the National Commander, National Adjutant, National Americanism Chairman and Committee on Children & Youth Chairman.

Presented By:

Authority:

Conditions:
In order to qualify for this annual award, a department must:

1. Achieve 100% of posts indicating Children & Youth activity on Consolidated Post Report forms.
2. Submit its Department Children & Youth Report to National Headquarters by the deadline date.
3. Any department whose membership is equal to or above the membership of the smallest department of the 50 States and the District of Columbia shall be recognized in this award.
4. The size of the departments, for comparative purposes, shall be determined by the immediately preceding full calendar year’s membership for all departments concerned.

Presentation of the award will be made at an appropriate department meeting immediately following the report year.

Recipients:
1963 North Dakota, Panama and Rhode Island
1964 North Dakota, Panama and Rhode Island
1965 North Dakota, Panama and Rhode Island
1966 Delaware, North Dakota, Panama and Rhode Island
1967 Delaware, North Dakota, Panama and Rhode Island
1968 Delaware, North Dakota, Panama and Rhode Island
1969 Delaware, North Dakota, Panama and Rhode Island
1970 Delaware, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Rhode Island and Vermont
1971 Delaware, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Rhode Island and Vermont
1972 Colorado, Delaware, Maine, North Dakota, Rhode Island, Utah and Vermont
1973 Delaware, Maine, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, Utah and Vermont
1974 Colorado, Delaware, District of Columbia, Maine, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, Utah and Vermont
1975 Arizona, Colorado, Maryland, North Dakota, Vermont and Utah
1976 North Dakota, Utah and Vermont
1977 Arizona, Maine, Maryland, North Dakota, Utah and Vermont
1978 Arizona, District of Columbia, New Mexico, North Dakota and Vermont
1979 Delaware, Maine, North Dakota, New Mexico, North Dakota, Utah and Vermont
1980 Maine, Maryland, North Dakota and Vermont
1981 Florida, North Dakota and Vermont
1982 Delaware, Florida, France, Maryland, North Dakota and Vermont
1983 Arkansas, France, Maryland, New Hampshire, North Dakota and Vermont
1984 Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Maryland, North Dakota and Vermont
1985 Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Maryland, North Dakota, Tennessee, Utah and Vermont
1986 Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Idaho, Maryland, North Dakota, Tennessee, Utah and Vermont
1987 Delaware, Florida, Mexico, North Dakota, Utah and Vermont
1988 Arizona, Delaware, Florida, Mexico, North Dakota, Utah and Vermont
1989 Delaware, Florida, New Mexico, New York, North Dakota, Utah and Vermont
1990 Delaware, Florida, Maine, New York, North Dakota, Utah and Vermont
1991 Arizona, Delaware, Florida, Maine, New York, North Dakota, Utah, Vermont and Virginia
1992 Delaware, Florida, North Dakota, Utah, Vermont and Virginia
1993 Delaware, Florida, North Dakota, Utah, Vermont and Virginia
1994 Delaware, Florida, Maine, North Dakota, Vermont and Virginia
1995 Delaware, Florida, North Dakota, Vermont and Virginia
1996 Delaware, Florida, New Mexico, North Dakota, Vermont and Virginia
1997 Florida
1998 Delaware, France, North Dakota, Vermont and Virginia
1999 California, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Massachusetts, New York, Oregon and Pennsylvania
2000 None Awarded
2001 Delaware and North Dakota
DEPARTMENT AWARD FOR 100% POST CHILDREN & YOUTH REPORTING RECIPIENTS (continued)

2002  None Awarded  
2003  Delaware, Montana, Maine and Wyoming  
2004  Montana and Virginia  
2005  Virginia  
2006  Montana and Virginia  
2007  Montana and Nebraska  
2008  Idaho, Mexico, Montana, Virginia, Washington and Wisconsin  
2009  Montana and Washington  
2010  Idaho, Montana and Vermont  
2011  Nebraska and Virginia  
2012  Arizona, Florida, Missouri, Nebraska, Oregon, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, Wisconsin and Wyoming  
2013  Nebraska and Rhode Island  
2014  Missouri, Nebraska, Rhode Island and Wisconsin  
2015  Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Virginia and Wisconsin
NATIONAL EMPLOYER OF VETERANS AWARD

Description:
An attractive plaque including the emblem of The American Legion and a plate bearing the recipient’s name and category of the award and the facsimile signatures of the National Commander and National Adjutant.

Presented By:

Authority:
NEC Resolution No. 19, October 8-9, 1969; amended by NEC Resolution No. 19, May 13-14, 1992; amended by NEC Resolution No. 11, October 12-13, 2011 renaming the award from “Employer of the Year Award for Hiring Veterans” to “National Employer of Veterans Award”.

Conditions:
1. Awards are offered in three categories:
   Category I – Employers of more than 200 employees (Large); Category II – Employers of 51-200 employees (Medium); Category III – Employers of 1-50 employees (Small).
2. Departments of The American Legion, with the encouraged participation of their respective posts, may submit one nomination in each category each year to the Veterans Employment & Education Commission, said nominations to be accompanied by documentation of employer’s achievements in hiring veterans.
3. The Veterans Employment & Education Commission and National Employment Committee, upon due consideration of all nominations, will select the most outstanding employer of veterans in each category.
4. The awards will be presented by the National Commander or his appointed representative at the National Convention.
5. The American Legion will provide one roundtrip coach airfare or vehicle mileage in accordance with its employee mileage reimbursement rates, staff per diem for two days, two tickets to the National Commander’s Banquet and lodging for one night in accordance with travel policies of The American Legion for an individual recipient or a single representative of a group or organization to receive the award at National Convention. The American Legion will not provide for any incidental expenses or any expenses incurred by guests accompanying the award recipient.

NOTE: Prior to May 1992, only two categories were recognized; Category I for over 200 employees and Category II for 200 or fewer employees.

Recipients:

1969
Category I – American Enka Corporation, Enka, NC
Category II – Dayton Tire and Rubber Company of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma City, OK

1970
Category I – Detroit Steel Corporation, New Boston, OH
Category II – Fred W. Beal, Inc., Ellsworth, ME

1971
Category I – Geo. A. Hormel & Company, Austin, MN
Category II – A.B. & R.R. Hodgkins, Bar Harbor, ME

1972
Category I – Sperry Vickers Aerospace-Ordinance-Marine Division, Jackson, MS
Category II – General cable Corporation, Elkhart, MD

1973
Category I – Noyes Tire Company, Westbrook, ME
Category II – Southern Guard Service, Inc., Youngstown, OH

1974
Category I – ITT Continental Baking Co., Inc., Youngstown, OH
Category II – Fleischmann Distilling Corporation, Owensboro, KY

1975
Category I – ITT Federal Electric Corporation, Paramus, NJ
Category II – Purolator Courier Corporation, San Antonio, TX

1976
Category I – Cincinnati Time Recorder, Co., Cincinnati, OH
Category II – Carls Drug Warehouse, Rome, NY

1977
Category I – Delense Company, Oklahoma City, OK
Category II – Blackmon Oil Company, Inc., Columbus, GA

1978
Category I – Maine Central Railroad, Portland, ME
Category II – Oelwein Iowa Plant of The Donaldson Co., Inc., Oelwein, IA

1979
Category I – Babbitt Division Reserve Mining Co., Babbitt, MN
Category II – Abex Corporation-Amco Division, Anderson, IN

1980
Category I – Hays International Corp., Birmingham, AL
Category II – National Standard Perforated Metals Division, Carbondale, PA

1981
Category I – Pope and Talbot, Inc., Eau Claire, WI
Category II – Inland Manufacturing Company, Omaha, NE

1982
Category I – Fraser Paper Ltd., Madawaska, ME
Category II – Stratagraph, Inc., Lafayette, LA

1983
Category I – Kansas City Power & Light, Kansas City, KS
Category II – Hopper Paper Division of Georgia Pacific Corporation, Taylorville, IL
NATIONAL EMPLOYER OF VETERANS AWARD RECIPIENTS (continued)

1984 Category I – Owens-Illinois, Inc., Television Products Division, Pittstown, PA
Category II – Molycorp, Inc., Washington, PA
1985 Category I – Corning Glass Works, Wilmington, NC
Category II – Kessel’s Pump Service, El Paso, TX
1986 Category I – Central Heating Air Conditioning Co., Inc., Stanford, NC
Category II – Adolph Coors, Co., Golden, CO
1987 Category I – Twitchel, Dothan, AL
Category II – Stran Buildings, La Grange, GA
1988 Category I – Burnsides-Ott Helicopter Maintenance Services Project, Naval Air Station, Whiting Field, Milton, FL
Category II – Dyn Corp, Fort Campbell Operations, Clarksville, TN
1989 Category I – Lockheed AeroRotors, Inc., Greenville, SC
Category II – JIMCO, Inc., Oklahoma City, OK
Category III – UNC Support Service, Helicopter Maintenance Project, Milton, FL
Category II – Cornish Containers, Maumee, OH
Category II – All Veterans Auto Parts, Incorporated, Phoenix, AZ
1992 Category I – Bath Iron Works, Corp., Bath, ME
Category II – Sirco Manufacturing, Missoula, MT
Category III – Abe’s Plumbing, Las Vegas, NV
1993 Category I – Schneider National Carriers
Category II – Morton International, Inc.
Category III – American Classic Charter & Tours, Inc.
1994 Category I – Boeing Aerospace Operations, Inc., Mid City, OK
Category II – Caldwell Machining, Inc., Emporium PA
Category III – Southwest Research Institute, San Antonio, TX
1995 Category I – Audit Security Bags, Inc., West Lebanon, NH
Category II – Green Mountain Rifle Barrel Co., Inc., Conway, NH
Category III – Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., Topeka, KS
1996 Category I – Comcar Industries, Inc., Auburndale, FL
Category II – D & H Transport, Yuba City, CA
Category III – Ted’s Western Appliance Service, Livingston, MT
1997 Category I – Lear Siegler Services, Inc., Milton, FL
Category II – Atlas Roofing Corp., Ardmore, OK
Category III – Jak’s Stripping & Refinishing, Garden City, ID
1998 Category I – Georgia-Pacific Plywood, Crossett, AR
Category II – Computer Sciences Corp., Edwards, CA
Category III – Jacobs Construction, Lemont, PA
1999 Category I – Jacobs Construction, Lemont, PA
Category II – Computer Sciences Corp., Clearfield, UT
Category III – Georgia-Pacific Plywood, Crossett, AR
2000 Category I – Boeing Aerospace Operations, Midwest City, OK
Category II – ITS Medical Systems, LLC, Tomah, WI
Category III – Garlick Helicopters, Inc., Hamilton, MT
2001 Category I – PEMCO Aeroplex, Inc. Birmingham, AL
Category II – Maine Machine Products, South Paris, ME
Category III – Discount Printing, Winter Haven, FL
2002 Category I – Basic Water Company, Henderson, NV
Category II – M & T Company, Manchester, NJ
Category III – Walmart Distribution Center, Winter Haven, FL
2003 Category I – Johns Manville, Defiance, OH
Category II – TRW, Killeen, TX
Category III – ACS State and Local Solutions, Lake City, FL
2004 Category I – Wheatland Tube Co., Wheatland, PA
Category II – Wackenhut Service, Inc., Spring Lake, NC
Category III – Anderson Iron Works, Inc., Post Falls, ID
2005 Category I – Alutiiq-Wackenhut Security Services, Fort Bragg, NC
Category II – ITS Medical Systems, LLC, Duluth, GA
Category III – Robert J. Albert Printing Services, Inc., Clearwater, FL
2006 Category I – Employment Source Projects with Industry (PWI), Fayette, NC
Category II – Alutiiq-Wackenhut Security Services, Redstone Arsenal, AL
Category III – Nielsen Ford/Mercury, Bloomer, WI
2007 Category I – CSX Transportation, Jackson, FL
Category II – ProLogistix, Sanford, NC
Category III – Millennium Security Services, LLC, Roswell, GA
2008 Category I – Lear Siegler (LSI) EG&D Division of URS Corporation, New Boston, TX
Category II – Industrial Maintenance Services, Inc., Wells, MI
Category III – Millennium Security Services, LLC, Roswell, GA
2009 Category I – BNSF Railway Company, Fort Worth, TX
Category II – Regent Security Services, Inc., Augusta, GA
Category III – Millennium Security Services, LLC, Roswell, GA
2010 Category I – Eagles Systems and Services, LLC, Lawton, OK
Category II – Millennium Security Services, LLC, Alpharetta, GA
Category III – Georgia Vietnam Veterans Alliance, Doraville, GA
2011 Category I – Smith and Wesson, MA
Category II – Alpha Protective Services, NC
Category III – Burditt Trucking, GA
2012  
**Category I** – L-3 STRAITS, Fayetteville, NC  
**Category II** – Strategic & Homeland Defense Division, Colorado Springs, CO  
**Category III** – CIAN, Inc., Peoria, IL  
2013  
**Category I** – North Carolina Food Service, Fayetteville, NC  
**Category II** – L-3 Communications ASD, Ft. Bragg, NC  
**Category III** – M1 Support Services, Abilene, TX  
2014  
**Category I** – The Home Depot, Atlanta, GA  
**Category II** – Frito-Lay, Austin, TX  
**Category III** – Veteran Energy, Houston, TX  
2015  
**Category I** – Reported at 2016 National Convention  
**Category II** – Reported at 2016 National Convention  
**Category III** – Reported at 2016 National Convention
**Description:**

An attractive 11 ¾ x 14 ¾” shadow box plaque, including the emblem of The American Legion, a plate bearing the recipient’s name, category of the award and the facsimile signatures of the National Commander and National Adjutant.

**Presented By:**


**Authority:**

NEC Resolution No. 16, May 13-14, 1992; amended by NEC Resolution No. 12, October 12-13, 2011 renaming the award from “Employment Service Award” to “National Employment Service Award”.

**Conditions:**

1. Awards are offered in three categories: Local Veteran Employment Representative (LVER) of the Year; Disabled Veteran Outreach Program Specialist (DVOP) of the Year; Employment Service (ES) Local Office of the Year.
2. Departments of The American Legion, with encouraged participation of their respective posts and local and state Job Service personnel, may submit one nomination, in each category each year to the Veterans Employment & Education Commission; said nominations to be accompanied by documentation of the nominee’s achievements in placing veterans in suitable jobs, and in promoting employment opportunities for all veterans in the state.
3. The Veterans Employment & Education Commission and National Employment Committee, upon due consideration of all nominations, will select the most outstanding nominee in each category.
4. The awards will be presented by the department commander, or his/her appointed representative, at each winner’s department convention.
5. The American Legion will provide one roundtrip coach airfare or vehicle mileage in accordance with its employee mileage reimbursement rates, staff per diem for two days, two tickets to the National Commander’s Banquet and lodging for one night in accordance with travel policies of The American Legion for an individual recipient or a single representative of a group or organization to receive the award at National Convention. The American Legion will not provide for any incidental expenses or any expenses incurred by guests accompanying the award recipient.

**Recipients:**

1992
- **LVER** – James E. McCormick, Pasco, WA
- **DVOP** – Barry I. Souders, Sanford, NC
- **ES** – Claremont New Hampshire Employment Security Office, Claremont, NH

1993
- **LVER** – Gary Bjorkquist, Escanaba, MI
- **DVOP** – Heywood Bell, El Centro, CA
- **ES** – Du Bois Jobs Center, Du Bois, PA

1994
- **LVER** – Joseph A. Monday, Hudson, FL
- **DVOP** – Jerry A. Work, Dade City, FL
- **ES** – Charles City Workforce Center, Charles City, IA

1995
- **LVER** – Bill Kaufman, Fort Wayne, IN
- **DVOP** – Jerry E. Fitzgerald, Killen, TX
- **ES** – Lawton Local Office, Lawton, OK

1996
- **LVER** – John L. Multer, San Angelo, TX
- **DVOP** – Mary O’Connell, Atlanta, GA
- **ES** – Monroeville State Employment Service, Monroeville, AL

1997
- **LVER** – Joseph LeClair, St. Albans, VT
- **DVOP** – Ron Coleman, Minot, ND
- **ES** – St. Marys Job Center, St. Marys, PA

1998
- **LVER** – Max Niesar, Minot, ND
- **DVOP** – Robert E. Loter, Des Moines, IA
- **ES** – Fayetteville Job Link Career Center, Fayetteville, NC

1999
- **LVER** – Kent Phelps, Blackfoot, ID
- **DVOP** – Willie R. Griffin, Sumter, SC
- **ES** – Oklahoma City Metro South, Oklahoma City, OK

2000
- **LVER** – Michael E. Daugherty, Ponca City, OK
- **DVOP** – Jon H. Cone, Sr., Fayetteville, NC
- **ES** – Cumberland County Job Link Career Center, Fayetteville, NC

2001
- **LVER** – Barbara Phillips, Fort Payne, AL
- **DVOP** – Ronald Mullen, Tulsa, OK
- **ES** – Fayetteville Local Employment Security Commission, Fayetteville, NC

2002
- **LVER** – Alonzo Philmore, Lake City, FL
- **DVOP** – Richard Perez, Yuma, AZ
- **ES** – Lewis Boren, Office Manager, Central Texas Workforce Center, Killeen, TX

2003
- **LVER** – Claud Miller, Anniston, AL
- **DVOP** – Jim Balog, Helena, MT
- **ES** – Sarah Jackson, Office Manager, Pocatello Job Service Office, Pocatello, ID

2004
- **LVER** – Ronald P. Piercy, NC
- **DVOP** – Jon H. Cone, NC
- **ES** – Alabama Career Center, AL
2005  LVER – Walter A. Pollock, Jr., Columbus, GA
DVOP – Jerry Roehl, Boise, ID
ES – Escarosa Career Center Veterans’ Programs, Pensacola, FL
2006  LVER – Walter A. Pollock, Jr., Columbus, GA
DVOP – James E. Warren, Tyler, TX
ES – Idaho Commerce and Labor, Coeur d’Alene Local Office, Coeur d’Alene, ID
2007  LVER – Gerard Donnelly, Pathogue, NY
DVOP – Don Collins, Lubbock, TX
ES – Worksource Career Center of Lubbock, Lubbock, TX
2008  LVER – Michael Dembowski, Birmingham, NY
DVOP – Steve Lord, Meridian, ID
ES – Worksource (Southside) Career Center, Jacksonville, FL
2009  LVER – Kathy Y. Ford, Aurora, CO
DVOP – Kenneth E. Kempf, Raleigh, NC
ES – Cumberland County Job Link, Cumberland County, NC
2010  LVER – Robert E. Shoeman, Coeur d’Alene, ID
DVOP – Johnny Moreno, Twin Falls, ID
ES – Gwinnett Career Center, Norcross, GA
2011  LVER – Anthony Medina, CO
DVOP – Willetta E. Hilliard-Walker, AL
ES – Workforce Solutions Panhandle Office 0601, TX
2012  LVER – Bobby Bryant, Stillwater Workforce Center, OK
DVOP – Jerome A. Billups, Fargo, ND
ES – Ottawa One Stop Center, Ottawa, IL
2013  LVER – Robert R. O’Keefe, Columbus, OH
DVOP – Roy M. Fillion, Grand Forks, ND
ES – Brazos Valley Workforce Solutions, Bryan, TX
2014  LVER – Frankie Billingsley, Fort Wayne, IN
DVOP – Linda “Michele” Scuito, Lufkin, TX
ES – Ohio Means Jobs Columbus-Franklin County Center, Columbus, OH
2015  LVER – Reported at the 2016 National Convention
DVOP – Reported at the 2016 National Convention
ES – Reported at the 2016 National Convention
ENHANCE THE LIVES OF DISABLED PERSONS AWARD

**Description:**

The American Legion has always supported legislation with the intent to provide meaningful benefits and employment opportunities for disabled veterans. The unemployment rate for people with disabilities. The American Legion continues to advocate for the public and private sectors to hire disabled veterans.

**Presented By:**


**Authority:**

NEC Resolution No. 1, October 14-15, 1987. Each year since 1987, American Legion posts have competed for cash awards through the National Organization on Disability Joint Awards Program, first in partnership with the J.C. Penney Company and now with Aetna. The purpose of the competition is to confer national recognition on organizations, such as The American Legion, for their involvement in enhancing the lives of disabled persons by providing opportunities for their participation in community services; amended by NEC Resolution No. 13, October 13-14, 2011.

**How Awarded:**

Prior to November 30 of each year, the Chairman of the Veterans Employment & Education Commission will appoint an awards committee that will be made up of members of national staff of The American Legion. Their decision shall be final. The names of the winning posts will be announced at the annual Washington Conference.

**Conditions:**

1. Any Legion project or program that improves the quality of life for disabled persons will be considered.
2. The chairman of the Veterans Employment & Education Commission may, however, change the number of winners and/or the number of winners and/or the amounts of the awards at any time.
3. Nominations may be made by posts, departments, Legionnaires or members of the disability community.
4. All nomination entries for a given year must be submitted by October 31 of that year.
5. All entries must be accompanied by an official nomination form and must not be longer than two pages of narrative.
6. Completed nominations should be sent to The American Legion Veterans Employment & Education Commission in Washington, DC, for judging.
7. The American Legion provides the Enhance the Lives of Disabled Persons Award for companies and organizations that hire and retain disabled Americans, especially veterans.
8. The presentation of the award serves as an inspirational recognition of a company with a record of support and commitment to disabled persons through employment.
9. The American Legion will present the Enhance the Lives of Disabled Persons Award winner an engraved 11 ¾” x 14 ¾” shadow-box plaque at the American Legion National Convention.
10. The American Legion will provide one roundtrip coach airfare or vehicle mileage in accordance with its employee mileage reimbursement rates, staff per diem for two days, two tickets to the National Commander’s Banquet and lodging for one night in accordance with travel policies of The American Legion for an individual recipient or a single representative of a group or organization to receive the award at National Convention. The American Legion will not provide for any incidental expenses or any expense incurred by guests accompanying the award recipient.

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<td>Post 325, Danville, VA</td>
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ENHANCE THE LIVES OF DISABLED PERSONS AWARD RECIPIENTS (continued)

1997  Post 6, San Diego, CA
      Post 45, Hartville, MO
      Post 252, Breese, IL
1998  None Awarded
1999  None Awarded
2000  Post 8, Clifton, NJ
2001  None Awarded
2002  None Awarded
2003  None Awarded
2004  None Awarded
2005  None Awarded
2006  Association for Retarded/Disabled Person,
      Deland, Florida
2007  Reach of Denton, Denton, TX
2008  Black Hills Service, Inc., Ellsworth AFB, SD
2009  Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development,
      Madison, Wisconsin
2010  Veterans Employment Development Center,
      Beverly Hills, FL
2011  Nancy L. Smith, TX
2012  Precinct 2, Harris County, Highlands, TX
2013  Sioux Steel Company, Inc., Sioux Falls, SD
2014  Bobby Dodd Institute, Atlanta, GA
2015  Reported at the 2016 National Convention
Description:

The American Legion views older workers as a valuable economic resource of proven skills, stability and experience. Between 1977 and 2007, employment of workers 65 and over increased 101 percent and the US Bureau of Labor Statistics reported that in recent years the number of older workers on full-time schedules nearly doubled.

Presented By:


Authority:

NEC Resolution No. 14, October 12-13, 2011.

Note: Recipients received this award prior to becoming an official award.

How Awarded:

1. The American Legion provides an Employer of Older Worker Award for a company that consistently hires older workers, especially veterans.
2. The presentation of the award serves as an inspirational recognition of a company with a record of support and commitment to the hiring of America’s older workers.
3. The American Legion will provide one roundtrip coach airfare or vehicle mileage in accordance with its employee mileage reimbursement rates, staff per diem for two days, two tickets to the National Commander’s Banquet and lodging for one night in accordance with travel policies of The American Legion for an individual recipient or a single representative of a group or organization to receive the award at National Convention. The American Legion will not provide for any incidental expenses or any expense incurred by guests accompanying the award recipient.
4. The recipient will be presented an engraved 11 ¾” x 14 3/4” shadow-box plaque at National Convention.

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<td>Holophane Company, Newark, OH</td>
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<td>Maule Air, Inc., Moultrie, GA</td>
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<td>AARP Foundation, South Atlanta, GA</td>
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<td>The Society of St. Vincent de Paul North Idaho, Coeur d’Alene, ID</td>
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<td>2015</td>
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Description:

*General:* Plaques and certificates awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners. Certificates of Honorable Mention awarded at the discretion of the National Historian and Certificates of Participation are awarded to all other entries.

*Inscriptions:* National Historian’s Contest – Department Narrative History or National Historian’s Contest – Department Yearbook History.

Presented By:


Authority:

The National Department History Contest was authorized on November 13, 1930 by the National Executive Committee. Beginning with the 1952 contest, regulations were changed to include two types of entries. The first type (Type I) includes histories covering the entire period from the inception of the department to any time subsequent to the 1948 National Department History Contest. The second type (Type II) was restricted to a supplement to a history already issued, provided it included the period where the earlier history ended and covered at least ten years, thus bringing the entire series to date.

Beginning with the 1979 contest, the previous types of contests were discontinued and regulations were changed to establish a One-Year National Department Narrative History Contest and a One-Year National Department Yearbook History Contest (Term “Scrapbook” also used). Both the narrative and yearbook histories begin with the installation of officers and include the period up to and including the department convention. Department history contests were held every fifth year until 1985 when both department and post history contests began being held annually.

How Awarded:

1. To be awarded annually at the Fall meeting of the National Executive Committee to those contestants entered in the National Department History Contest deemed by a duly authorized panel of judges to have submitted the One-Year History Narrative or One-Year Yearbook History of the department which best meets the standards established for that particular competition. Complete rules and description of the standard for judging may be found in the *Officers Guide and Manual of Ceremonies.*

2. Announcement of awards is to be made during the National Historian’s report read on the last day of the Fall meeting of the National Executive Committee following the judging of the contest.

Conditions:

Said awards to be made only to those departments whose entries comply with the “National Department History Contest” rules.

*Contest conducted in 1969 to coincide with observance of the Fiftieth Anniversary of The American Legion.

First Place Recipients:

- 1931 North Carolina
- 1936 Hawaii
- 1940 Indiana
- 1944 Texas
- 1948 Alabama and New Jersey
- 1952 Type I – Texas
  Type II – No Eligible Entries
- 1956 Type I – Tennessee
  Type II – North Carolina
- 1960 Type I – Florida
  Type II – No Entries
- 1964 No eligible entries (1 entered – no winners)
- 1969 Type I – Montana
  Type II – Florida
- 1974 Type I – Minnesota
  Type II – Maryland
- 1979 Narrative – Wisconsin
  Yearbook – Minnesota
- 1984 Narrative – Virginia
  Yearbook – Kentucky
- 1985 Narrative – Florida
  Yearbook – Wisconsin
- 1986 Narrative – Florida
  Yearbook – Florida
- 1987 Narrative – Florida
  Yearbook – Wisconsin
- 1988 Narrative – Florida
  Yearbook – Florida
- 1989 Narrative – Montana
  Yearbook – Wisconsin
- 1990 Narrative – Vermont
  Yearbook – Wisconsin
1991  Narrative – Vermont
Yearbook – Wisconsin
1992  Narrative – North Carolina
Yearbook – Texas
1993  Narrative – North Carolina
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1995  Narrative – North Carolina
Yearbook – Hawaii
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Yearbook – Washington
1997  Narrative – Maine
Yearbook – West Virginia
1998  Narrative – Georgia
Yearbook – Ohio
1999  Narrative – Vermont
Yearbook – South Dakota
2000  Narrative – Vermont
Yearbook – Ohio
2001  Narrative – None Awarded
Yearbook – Wisconsin
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2013  Narrative – Pennsylvania
Yearbook – North Carolina
2014  Narrative – North Carolina
Yearbook - Florida
2015  Narrative – North Carolina
Yearbook - Nebraska
Description:

General: Plaques and certificates awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners. Certificates of Honorable Mention awarded at the discretion of the National Historian and Certificates of Participation are awarded to all other entries.

Inscriptions: National Historian’s Contest – Post Narrative History or National Historian’s Contest – Post Yearbook History.

Presented By:


Authority:

May 1928 National Executive Committee approval of National Historian’s report; revised by National Historian in December 1948 to establish two categories of competition; revised by NEC Resolution No. 29, October 18 – 19, 1972, establishing the competition to encompass one-year post histories; amended by NEC, October 11, 1984, National Historian Report. From 1949 through 1972 the competition encompassed complete post histories in two types: posts charted before 1944 (Type I) and posts charted in 1944 or later years (Type II). Contests conducted in 1949 coincided with observance of the 50th Anniversary of The American Legion. Contests in 1976 included a Bicentennial Scrapbook and beginning in 1977 both Narrative and Scrapbook/Yearbook contests were held. 1980 was the first and only District/County History Contest. Department history contests held every fifth year until 1985 when both department and post history contests began being held annually.

How Awarded:

1. To be awarded annually to those contestants entered in the National Post History Contest deemed by a duly authorized panel of judges to have submitted the One-Year Narrative History or One-Year Yearbook History which best meets the standards established for the competition. Complete rules and description of the standards for judging may be found in the Officers Guide and Manual of Ceremonies.

2. Announcement of awards is to be made during the National Historian’s report read on the last day of the Fall meeting of the National Executive Committee following the judging of the contest. Since 1985 plaques and certificates are given as awards instead of money.

Conditions:

Said awards to be made only to those posts whose entries comply with the “National Post History Contest” rules.

First Place Recipients:

1930  Ken-Bur-Bel Post 41, Norwalk, OH
1933  Benewah Post 25, St. Maries, ID
1934  Oscar B. Nelson Post 3, Ottumwa, IA
1935  Dorsey-Liberty Post 14, Lawrence, KS
1937  Panama Canal Post 1, Ancon, Canal Zone
1938  Binghamton Post 80, Binghamton, NY
1939  Leyden-Chiles-Wickersham Post 1, Denver, CO
1941  Euclid Post 343, Euclid, OH
1942  Shades Valley Post 134, Homewood, AL
1943  Walter L. Bennett Post 71, Lamar, CO
1945  Gary Memorial Post 17, Gary, IN
1946  Murray-Trott Post 262, Audubon, NJ
1947  Elmhurst-Jackson Heights Post 298, Elmhurst, NY
1949  Type I – Huff-Minor Post 14, Ponca City, OK
1950  Type I – South Fort Worth Post 569, Ft Worth, TX
1951  Type I – Vining-Goodman Post 501, Macon, GA
1952  Type I – John Low-Joe Smartt Post 53, Dallas, TX
1953  Type I – William Minter Batjer Post 100, Rogers, AR
1954  Type I – Elmhurst-Jackson Heights Post 298, Elmhurst, NY
1955  Type I – McDonough County Post 6, Macomb, IL
1957  Type I – Lombard Post 391, Lombard, IL
1958  Type I – Grant-Staples Post 183, Brooks, ME
1959  Type I – Jane A. Delano Post 344, New York, NY
1961  Type I – Otto Hendrickson Post 212, Park Rapids, MN
1962  Type II – Stolley-Anderson Post 1022, Chicago, IL
1963  Type II – Arthur Leonard Johnson, Jr. Post 172, Warner Robins, GA

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NATIONAL POST HISTORY CONTEST AWARD RECIPIENTS (continued)

Type II – No Entries  Yearbook – No-Vel Post 159, Venice, FL
1963  Type I – Lyle-Brester Post 50, College Park, GA  1992  Narrative – Colonial Heights Post 284 – Colonial  Heights, VA
Type II – Churchmens Post 235, San Antonio, TX  Yearbook – Winfield Post 10, Winfield, KS
1965  Type I – Cedar Falls Post 237, Cedar Falls, IA  1993  Narrative – Hartford Post 26, White River  Junction, VT
Type II – Desert Hot Springs Post 763, Desert Hot  Springs, CA
Type II – Churchmens Post 235, San Antonio, TX
Type II – Churchmens Post 235, San Antonio, TX
1968  Type I – David Wisted-Zenith City Post 28,  1996  Narrative – Jane A. Delano Post 122, St.  Petersburg, FL
Duluth, MN
Type II – Churchmens Post 235, San Antonio, TX
Type II – Gardiner Post 188, Gardiner, MT
1970  Type I – Ballard Post 3, La Center, KY  1998  Narrative – Port Charlotte Post 110, Port  Charlotte, FL
Type II – Churchmens Post 235, San Antonio, TX
1971  Type I – Tampa Women’s Post 134, Tampa, FL  1999  Narrative – Women’s Post 118, Norfolk, VA  Yearbook – Santiam Post 51, Lebanon, OR
Type II – Churchmens Post 235, San Antonio, TX
1972  Type I – Ballard Post 3, La Center, KY  2000  Narrative – Ibell-Jacobson-Smith Post 61, Deep  River, CT
Type II – No Entries
1974  Scherer Post 493, Jackson Center, OH  Yearbook – Rosetown Memorial Post 542,  Roseville, MN
1975  Fort Loramie Post 355, Fort Loramie, OH  2002  Narrative – Missing Man Post 667, Universal City, TX  Yearbook – Earl Collier Post 153, Olathe, KS
1976  Jacob Coppus Post 258, Little Chute, WI  2003  Narrative – Samuel G. Cooke Post 267, Columbus, GA  Yearbook – Harris Dennis Post 151, Mellette, SD
Bicentennial Scrapbook – Tirey J. Ford Post 21,  2004  Narrative – Chattahoochee Post 251, Duluth, GA  Yearbook – Hutchinson Post 96, Hutchinson, MN
Independence, MO
1977  History – Minneapolis-Richfield Post 435,  2005  Narrative – Manhasset Post 304, Manhasset, NY  Yearbook – Alois Dreikosen Post 469, Marathon, WI
Minneapolis, MN  2006  Narrative – Battlefield Post 214, Rossville, GA  Yearbook – Alois Dreikosen Post 469, Marathon, WI
1978  History – Frank Freese Post 66, Edmonds, WA  2008  Yearbook – Landt-Thiel Post 470, Saukville, WI
Yearbook – Massapequa Post 1066, Massapequa, NY  2009  Narrative – No-Vel Post 159, Venice, FL  Yearbook – Matthews-Crawford Post 131,  Warrentsburg, MO
1980  District/County Narrative – Oklahoma, District 5-A  2010  Narrative – Frank B. Bartlett Post 7,  Buckhannon, WV
District/County Scrapbook – California, 22nd District  Yearbook – Matthews-Crawford Post 131, 55  Warrentsburg, MO
Yearbook – Women’s Post 118, Norfolk, VA
1982  Narrative – Massapequa Post 1066, Massapequa, NY  2012  Narrative – No-Vel Post 159, Venice, FL  Yearbook – Matthews-Crawford Post 131,  Warrentsburg, MO
Scrapbook – Montgomery Post 22, Montgomery, AL
Beach, FL
1984  Narrative – Frank Jarman Post 36, Chestertown, MD  2014  Narrative – No-Vel Post 159, Venice, FL  Yearbook – Matthews-Crawford Post 131,  Warrentsburg, MO
Scrapbook – Paul E. Boldin Post 7, Gainesville, GA
1986  Narrative – Jane A. Delano Post 122, St.  2015  Narrative – No-Vel Post 159, Venice, FL  Yearbook – Matthews-Crawford Post 131,  Warrentsburg, MO
Petersburg, FL
Scrapbook – Sioux Falls Post 15, Sioux Falls, SD  2016  Narrative – No-Vel Post 159, Venice, FL  Yearbook – Matthews-Crawford Post 131,  Warrentsburg, MO
1987  Narrative – No-Vel Post 159, Venice, FL  2017  Narrative – No-Vel Post 159, Venice, FL  Yearbook – Matthews-Crawford Post 131,  Warrentsburg, MO
Scrapbook – Young Americans Post 368, Newport  News, VA
1988  Narrative – Antieta Post 236, Sharpsburg, MD  2018  Narrative – No-Vel Post 159, Venice, FL  Yearbook – Matthews-Crawford Post 131,  Warrentsburg, MO
Scrapbook – Frierson-Nichols Post 8, 2019  Narrative – No-Vel Post 159, Venice, FL  Yearbook – Matthews-Crawford Post 131,  Warrentsburg, MO
Winterhaven, FL
Scrapbook – Huntington Post 16, Huntington, WV  Yearbook – Matthews-Crawford Post 131,  Warrentsburg, MO
Scrapbook – Eugene McManus Post 238, De Witt, IA

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2011 Narrative – Matthews-Crawford Post 131, Warrensburg, MO
Yearbook – Lt. J. L. Shryer Post 430, Durant, IA
2012 Narrative – Marshall S. Sayner Post 341, Bella Vista, AR
Yearbook – Adams Township Post 553, Toledo, OH
2013 Narrative – Pony Express Post 359, St Joseph, MO
Yearbook – Bella Vista Post 341, Bella Vista, AR
2014 Narrative – Pony Express Post 359, St Joseph, MO
Yearbook – Alois-Dreikosen Post 469, Marathon, WI
2015 Narrative – Banks Post 90, Banks, OR
Yearbook – Carroll Post 143, Carrollton, GA
INTERNATIONAL AMITY AWARD

Description:

General: Suitable citation (as authorized in NEC Resolution) and medal (authorized by administrative decision).

Inscription: Both citation and medal bear wording: “International Amity Award” plus seal of The American Legion.

Presented By:


Authority:

NEC Resolution No. 21, October 25-26, 1961, amended by NEC Resolution No. 9, October 12-13, 1966.

How Awarded:

By the National Commander with the advice and consent of the National Executive Committee at such times and places as may be consistent and appropriate.

Conditions:

1. It shall be awarded to specific individuals who shall be war veterans within the accepted meaning of the term and members of an authentic veteran organization established in the territory of any of the nations associated as wartime allies of the United States of America.
2. It shall be awarded to such individuals in recognition of outstanding service in the field of veterans affairs and for service and contributions made in the development of international good will and comradeship between their organization and The American Legion.
3. Nominations may be made by any member of The American Legion in good standing filed with the Internal Affairs Commission under such rules and regulations as shall be approved for such award. (Copies of an approved nomination form may be obtained from the National Adjutant.) Between meetings of the Internal Affairs Commission, the National Executive Committee and the National Commander, with the advice of his Advisory Committee, is authorized to present

the International Amity Award to individuals who qualify under the previously stated provisions. Such presentation shall be reported by and through the Internal Affairs Commission to the National Executive Committee at its first meeting following the presentation.

4. The Internal Affairs Commission is charged with the administration of this award.

Recipients:

1962 Raymond Triboulet, France; Jean Louis Bonet-Maury, France; Robert A. Vivien, France; Major General Sir Richard Howard Vyse, Great Britain; General Sir Roy Bucher, Great Britain, P. N. Frstenberg, Belgium; L. Woodcock, Canada; Hugh J. McGovern, Canada; J. P. Nevin, Canada; A. J. Wickens, Canada; L. G. Howard, Canada; James Dickson, Canada; Don H. Thompson, Canada; I. C. Lundberg, Canada; G. R. Land, Canada, J. D. Baxter, Canada; W. J. Maddison, Canada; C. A. Young, Canada

1963 Antoine Ginee, Belgium; Gen. Wladyslaw Anders, Poland; Jean Sainten, France; Donald S. McTavish, Canada; Maj. Gen. Lucien Truyers, Belgium

1964 Gen. Rueben Peralta y Alarcon, Mexico; Gen. Roberto Fiebro, Mexico; A. J. Carfre, Canada; Gordon Thomson, Canada; Alex Shirra, Canada; Brigadier James L. Melville, Canada; F. F. Bailey, Canada; John Ewasew, Canada; Lt. Gen. Augustin Olachea Avilez, Secretary of Defense, Mexico

1965 Maj. Gen. Julien Bouhon, Belgium; General of the Armies Martial Valin, France; Gen. Jacques P. L. De Grancy, France; Henry I Harvey, Canada; Fred T. O`Brecht, Canada; Ian Beresford, Canada

1966 Byron Wilson, Canada; W. Lorne Manchester, Canada; E. K. Carter, Canada; Gen. Pierre Koenig, France; Meir Bar-Rav-Hay, Israel (United Kingdom); A. I Lee, Australia; The Rev. H. Berry, Canada; Harold Berry, Canada; John Hall, Canada; George Waters, Canada; T. L. Fraser, Canada

1967 Hamilton Mitchell, New Zealand; The Right Honorable Lord Carew, Ireland (United Kingdom); Thomas D. Bailey, Canada; Leonard Hall Turner, Canada; Montague Herbert Hurst, Canada

1968 General Henri Zeller, France; Dr. Pierre Weber, France; Simeon C. Medalla, Philippines; Pham Xuan Chieu, Republic of Vietnam; R. N. Johnson, Canada; J. Albert Walker, Canada; Frank H. Farley, Canada; Albert Bianchini, Canada; Michael Popwich, Canada; L. J. Murphy, Canada; George Smith, Canada
INTERNATIONAL AMITY AWARD RECIPIENTS (continued)

1969  Arthur Wallace, Canada; James Hall, Canada; Edouard Emond Leon Dejean, Belgium
1970  None Awarded
1971  Jae Sung Kim, Republic of South Korea; Stanislas Szewalski, Poland (France)
1972  Jacques Medecin, France
1973  Leon DeCleyre, Belgium; Tsu-Yu Chao, Republic of China (Taiwan); Victor C. J. Chai, Republic of China (Taiwan)
1974  None Awarded
1975  Mrs. Adelina Guerin-Beau, France; William H. Craydon, England
1976  Alfonzo Cuellar Ponce de Leon, Mexico; Claude-Lucien Ferrer, France
1977  Yen Hsiao-Chang, Republic of China (Taiwan); Alejo S. Santos, Philippines; Andre Rigoine de Fougerolles, France; Glen A. Grose, Canada
1978  Pierre Taillacoit, France, Maeng Kee Lee, Republic of Korea
1979  Mrs. Clementine Pletsier-Degroot, Belgium; Pierre Leopold Henry Portier, France; Aime S. Leocard, France; Ferdinand Edralin Marcos, Philippines
1980  Brg. Gen. Agustin Marking, Philippines; Honorable Henry Brown, United Kingdom; Guy Cudell, Belgium
1981  Gen. Romero C. Espino, Philippines; Mathias Moeris, Belgium; Leon Zitrone, France
1982  Sir William Keys, Australia; Sir Colin Hines, Australia; Gen. Fabian C. Ver, Philippines; Prof. Paul Pin, France
1984  Sir Albert Abbott, C.B.E., Australia, Fernand Wauthier, Belgium; Lee Telesco, Philippines
1985  Ernesto P. Golez, Philippines
1986  Frederick Kirkland, New South Wales; General Fidel V. Ramos, Philippines
1987  Luis Ganzales Villa-Real, Philippines; James Hector De Lisle Nelson, Australia, Mary Jane Norellie, Belgium
1988  Hon. Dionisio Ojeda, Philippines
1989  Anthony Frank Stokes, Philippines
1990  Joon-Yeol So, Korea, Francois Harter, France, Daniel A. J. Cole, Australia
1991  William Brace, Australia, Ernesto S. Gidays, Philippines, General Huis Li-Nung, Taiwan, Louis Van Thienen, Belgium
1992  Enrique Abila, Philippines, Kyoo-Tek Ahn, Republic of Korea; Raymond E. Buchanan, Australia; Benno R. Niedzielski, France; Andre Ernest Verheugen, Belgium
1993  Pil-Joon Ahn, Republic of Korea; Mariano L. Ba Delles, Philippines; Shin-Pin Chou, Taiwan; Charles Kan, Taiwan; Maeng Kee Lee, Republic of Korea; Carey Howard McQuillan, Australia
1994  Paul Asussaresses, France; Renato S. De Villa, Philippines; The-Shuan Hung, Taiwan; Kenneth Steele, Australia; Un-Tae Kim, Republic of Korea
1995  Tae-Wan Chang, Republic of Korea; Emmanuel V. De Ocamp, Philippines; Yang Ting-Yun, Republic of China
1996  Maurice Martinez, France; Antonio Ang Ty, Philippines
1997  Lt. General Yu Chao, Taiwan; Soong Yeal Chung, Korea; Carlos N. Garduno, Mexico; Lt. General Frank C. Y. Kao, Taiwan, Dr. Kainan Yusuf Ma, Taiwan; General Umberto A. Rodriguez, Philippines; Colonel Hans H. S. Song, Taiwan; Pierre-Christian Taittinger, France
1998  Kap-Jin Choi, Korea; Bonifacio H. Gillego, Philippines
1999  Kap-Chong Chi, Korea; Lee Cheng-Lin, Republic of China (Taiwan); Blas F. Ople, Philippines
2000  Lt. General Wu Chi-Liang, Republic of China (Taiwan); Miguel V. Gonzalez, Philippines
2001  Chris S. Murphy, England; General Yang Te-Chih, Republic of China (Taiwan); Francisco B. Quesada, Philippines
2002  Artemio R. Arugay, George Ellis, Patrick G. Ganio, Sr., YiMin Gong, Sang-Ho Lee
2003  Jesus C. Malilay, Philippines; General Teng Tsulin, Republic of China (Taiwan)
2004  Rafael Estrada, Philippines; Jon Bong Lee, South Korea
2005  Mel A. Escuadra, Philippines; Yong-Sup Lee, Korea; Hua-Chu Kao, Taipei (Taiwan)
2006  Modesto P. Agyao, Philippines; Arcadio S. Lozado, Philippines
2007  None Awarded
2008  None Awarded
2009  None Awarded
2010  None Awarded
2011  None Awarded
2012  None Awarded
2013  General Jing-Ling Tseng (Ret)
2014  None Awarded
2015  None Awarded
**DISTINGUISHED PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD**

**Description:**

*General:* An attractive bronze plaque, including the emblem of The American Legion bearing the recipient’s name and suitable citation and facsimile signatures of the National Commander and National Adjutant.

**Presented By:**


**Authority:**

NEC Resolution No. 29, May 5-6, 1965.

*Note: Recipients received this award prior to it becoming an official award.*

**How Awarded:**

By the National Commander with the advice and the consent of the Commander’s Advisory Committee at the time of the annual Washington Conference or at such times and places as may be consistent and appropriate.

**Recipients:**

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     | *(See note under Authority)* |
| 1965 | None Awarded |
| 1966 | Representative Olin Teague, TX |
| 1967 | Senator Everett Dirksen, IL |
| 1968 | Representative John McCormack, MA |
| 1969 | None Awarded |
| 1970 | None Awarded |
| 1971 | None Awarded |
| 1972 | Representative Leslie Arends, IL |
| 1973 | Representative George Mahon, TX |
| 1974 | Representative F. Edward Hebert, AL |
| 1975 | Senator Strom Thurmond, SC |
| 1976 | None Awarded |
| 1977 | Senator Henry “Scoop” Jackson, WA |
| 1978 | Representative Joe Waggonner, LA |
| 1979 | Representative Ray Roberts, TX  
     | Senator Alan Cranston, CA |
| 1980 | Representative Thomas “Tip” O’Neill, MA |
| 1981 | Representative Jack Kemp, NY |
| 1982 | Senator John Tower, TX |
| 1983 | Representative Bob Michel, IL |
| 1984 | Senator Howard Baker, TN |
| 1985 | Representative Jim Wright, TX |
| 1986 | Representative Neal Smith, IA |
| 1987 | Representative Jamie Whitten, MS |
| 1988 | Representative Edward Boland, MA |
| 1989 | Representative G. V. “Sonny” Montgomery, MS |
| 1990 | Representative Bob Traxler, MI |
| 1991 | Senator Sam Nunn, GA |
| 1992 | Senator Arlen Specter, PA |
| 1993 | Senator John Glenn, OH |
| 1994 | Senator Barbara Mikulski, MD |
| 1995 | Representative Bob Livingston, LA |
     | Senator Orrin Hatch, UT  
     | Representative Gerald “Terry” B. H. Solomon, NY  
     | Representative Henry J. Hyde, IL  
     | Senator Olympia J. Snowe, ME  
     | Senator John W. Warner, VA  
     | Senator Larry E. Craig, ID  
     | Senator Robert C. Byrd, WV  
     | Representative Robert “Bob” L. Stump, AZ  
     | Representative Benjamin “Ben” A. Gilman, NY  
     | Representative Randy “Duke” Cunningham, CA  
     | Representative John P. Murtha, PA  
     | Representative Christopher H. Smith, NJ  
     | Senator Harry Reid, NV  
     | Representative Michael Bilirakis, FL  
     | Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison, TX  
     | Senator Dianne Feinstein, CA  
     | Representative Chet Edwards, TX  
     | Senator Charles “Chuck” Grassley, IA  
     | Representative C. W. “Bill” Young, FL  
     | Senator Daniel K. Akaka, HI  
     | Congressman Bob Filner, CA  
     | Senator Jim Webb, VA  
     | Honorable Jeff Miller, Florida Congressman, Chairman of the House Veterans Affairs Committee  
     | Ashton B. Carter, Secretary of Defense |
Description:

General: Sun-metal trophy; spread eagle at top; mounted on composition ivory base; 23” in height.


Presented By:

Mrs. Arthur D. Houghton, of San Fernando, California, in memory of the late Dr. Houghton, one of the founders of The American Legion.

Authority:

May 1941 report of the National Trophies and Awards Committee, as approved by the National Executive Committee, as amended by Resolution No. 15, NEC, October 6-7, 1976.

How Awarded:

To be awarded annually to that Detachment in each of three membership categories (Category I – 200-1,000 members; Category II – 1,001-3,000 members; Category III – 3,001 members or more), which on January 1 of each year has attained the greatest percentage of increase over the previous year’s total membership.

Conditions:

1. By action of the National Executive Committee, April 29-May 1, 1953, the original trophy is to remain at National Headquarters and a suitable laminated plaque containing a photograph of the trophy will be awarded to and retained by the winning department. Announcement of the award is to be made at each National Convention.

2. Said trophy is to be awarded annually to that detachment of the Sons of The American Legion in each of three membership categories (Category I – 200-1,000 members; Category II – 1,001-3,000 members; Category III – 3,001 members or more), which on January 1 of each year has attained the greatest percentage of increase over the previous year’s total membership. (By action of the NEC May, 1966, detachments to become eligible for award of said trophy must have a minimum membership of 200 for the previous year.)

*Effective with the 1976 membership year, two categories, two awards.

*Effective with the 1982 membership year, three categories, three awards.

*Effective with the 1999 membership year, five categories, five awards:

- Category I – 200-1,000 members
- Category II – 1,001-3,000 members
- Category III – 3,001-6,000 members
- Category IV – 6,001-12,000 members
- Category V – 12,001 or more members

*Previously awarded to that Detachment attaining the highest percentage of membership over preceding year’s membership.

Recipients:

1941 Utah
1942 Hawaii
1943 Rhode Island
1944 France
1945 Washington
1946 France
1947 Louisiana
1948 Montana
1949 Oklahoma
1950 Indiana
1951 Oklahoma
1952 Texas
1953 New Jersey
1954 Illinois
1955 Maryland
1956 Illinois
1957 Indiana
1958 Indiana
1959 Ohio
1960 Massachusetts
1961 Ohio
1962 Philippines
1963 Ohio
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2014  Category I – Utah
      Category II – Oregon
      Category III – Iowa
      Category IV – Arizona
      Category V – Florida

2015  Category I – Oklahoma
      Category II – Wyoming
      Category III – Massachusetts
      Category IV – Minnesota
      Category V – Florida
**GENERAL HENRI GOURAUD TROPHY**

**Description:**

*General:* Sterling silver trophy cup with handles of urn design with top piece.

*Inscription:* “Le Representant du Gouvernement de la Republique Francaise a L’American Legion, Boston, 8 October 1930, General Gouraud.”

**Presented By:**

General Henri Gouraud, Military Governor of Paris.

**Authority:**

November 1930 report of the National Trophies and Awards Committee, as amended by Resolution No. 15, NEC, May 1-2, 1974.

**How Awarded:**

To be awarded annually to that department in each of six (effective with 1987 membership year) categories established by the National Membership and Post Activities Committee, each of said departments having been the first in its respective category to attain or exceed its nationally assigned membership quota (effective with the 1975 membership year). (Previously awarded to that department first exceeding its nationally assigned membership quota.)

**Conditions:**

1. By action of the National Executive Committee, April 29-May 1, 1953, the original trophy is to remain at National Headquarters, a suitable laminated plaque containing a photograph of the trophy will be awarded to and retained by the winning department. Announcement of the award is to be made at each National Convention.
2. Said trophy to be awarded annually to that department in each of five categories established by the National Membership and Post Activities Committee, each of said departments having been the first in its respective category to attain or exceed its nationally assigned membership quota.*
3. All departments outside the continental limits of the United States, whose membership is equal to or above the membership of the smallest department in the continental United States, shall be recognized in this award. The size of the departments outside and within the continental limits of the United States, for comparative purposes, shall be determined by the immediately preceding full calendar year’s membership for all departments concerned.

*Six Categories beginning in 1987

**Recipients:**

- 1931 Rhode Island
- 1932 Hawaii
- 1933 Tennessee
- 1934 Nevada
- 1935 North Dakota
- 1936 Delaware
- 1937 Georgia
- 1938 Wisconsin
- 1939 Georgia
- 1940 Arkansas
- 1941 Arkansas
- 1942 Arkansas
- 1943 Alabama
- 1944 North Carolina
- 1945 North Carolina
- 1946 North Carolina
- 1947 Nevada
- 1948 North Dakota
- 1949 North Dakota
- 1950 North Dakota
- 1951 North Dakota
- 1952 North Dakota
- 1953 Louisiana
- 1954 North Dakota (tie) Louisiana (tie)
- 1955 North Dakota
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GENERAL HENRI GOURAUD TROPHY RECIPIENTS (continued)

2013
Category I – Florida
Category II – Michigan
Category III – Georgia
Category IV – North Carolina
Category V – Tennessee
Category VI – Rhode Island and Utah (tied)

2014
Category I – None Qualified
Category II – None Qualified
Category III – None Qualified
Category IV – None Qualified
Category V – Colorado
Category VI – France

2015
Category I – None Qualified
Category II – None Qualified
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Category VI – None Qualified
**GENERAL JOHN J. PERSHING HONOR AWARD**

**Description:**

*General:* Blue silk banner with gold lettering.

*Inscription:* “General John J. Pershing Honor Award – American Legion.”

**Presented By:**

National Headquarters, The American Legion.

**Authority:**

November 1948 report of National Trophies, Awards and Ceremonials Committee, as approved by the National Executive Committee.

**How Awarded:**

1. By action of the National Executive Committee, April 29-May 1, 1953, the original trophy is to remain at National Headquarters, and a suitable laminated plaque containing a photograph of the trophy will be awarded to and retained by the winning department. Announcement of the award is to be made at each National Convention.

2. Said banner to be awarded annually to that department thereof that has the greatest number of its posts receiving the Honor Ribbon for having 100 percent or more of the post’s previous year’s membership enrolled for the coming year by December 31 and having reported such achievement to National Headquarters no later than January 31.

3. All departments outside the continental limits of the United States, whose membership is equal to or above the membership of the smallest department in the continental United States, shall be recognized in this award. The size of the departments outside and within the continental limits of the United States, for comparative purposes, shall be determined by the immediately preceding full calendar year’s membership for all departments concerned.

**Recipients:**

- 1949: Mississippi
- 1950: Alaska
- 1951: Mississippi
- 1952: Iowa
- 1953: Iowa
- 1954: Iowa
- 1955: Iowa
- 1956: Iowa
- 1957: Louisiana
- 1958: North Dakota
- 1959: Louisiana
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- 1961: North Dakota
- 1962: Louisiana
- 1963: North Dakota
- 1964: Iowa
- 1965: Iowa
- 1966: Mississippi
- 1967: Iowa
- 1968: Iowa
- 1969: Iowa
- 1970: Iowa
- 1971: Iowa
- 1972: Louisiana
- 1973: Louisiana
- 1974: Louisiana
- 1975: Kansas
- 1976: West Virginia
- 1977: Louisiana
- 1978: Idaho
- 1979: Louisiana
- 1980: Iowa
- 1981: California
- 1982: California
- 1983: Kansas
- 1984: Wisconsin
- 1985: Wisconsin
- 1986: Mississippi
- 1987: Alaska
- 1988: Utah
- 1989: Louisiana
- 1990: Mississippi
- 1991: Puerto Rico
- 1992: Oklahoma
- 1993: Utah
- 1994: Idaho
- 1995: Delaware
- 1996: Idaho
- 1997: Idaho
- 1998: Vermont
- 1999: Vermont
- 2000: New Hampshire
- 2001: New Hampshire
- 2002: Utah
- 2003: Wisconsin
- 2004: Tennessee
- 2005: Kentucky
- 2006: Wyoming
- 2007: Texas
- 2008: Nevada
- 2009: Wyoming
- 2010: North Dakota
- 2011: Vermont
- 2012: Kentucky
- 2013: Minnesota
- 2014: South Dakota
GENERAL JOHN J. PERSHING HONOR AWARD (continued)

2015    South Dakota
HENRY D. LINDSLEY TROPHY

Description:

General: Silver plated trophy cup with handles mounted on base.

Inscription: “Henry D. Lindsley Trophy.”

Presented By:

Past National Commander, Henry D. Lindsley.

Authority:

January 1924 report of the Subcommittee on National Trophies and Awards as amended by Resolution No. 46, NEC, May 2-3, 1962.

How Awarded:

To be awarded annually to the department attaining the highest percentage of membership as compared with the preceding year’s membership by March 31.

Conditions:

1. By action of the National Executive Committee, April 29-May 1, 1953, the original trophy is to remain at National Headquarters, and a suitable laminated plaque containing a photograph of the trophy will be awarded to and retained by the winning department. Announcement of the award is to be made at each National Convention.

2. Said trophy is to be awarded annually to that department which on March 31 attains the highest percentage of membership as compared with the total number of members in said department on December 31 of the preceding year. (This condition became effective in 1963…previously awarded on the same basis except that March 1 was the determining date).

3. The membership of the department to be used in the calculations of the comparative percentage above referred to is to be taken from the books of the National Treasurer on the date’s foresaid.

4. The Departments of Mexico, France and Philippines shall not be eligible for the Lindsley Trophy unless their membership shall be greater than the membership of that department of the remaining departments having the least membership.

Recipients:

1924 Florida
1925 Florida
1926 Idaho
1927 Florida
1928 Wisconsin
1929 Hawaii
1930 Arkansas
1931 Rhode Island
1932 Hawaii
1933 Tennessee
1934 Nevada
1935 North Dakota
1936 Delaware
1937 Tennessee
1938 Wisconsin
1939 Arkansas
1940 Idaho
1941 North Carolina
1942 North Carolina
1943 North Carolina
1944 Alabama
1945 North Carolina
1946 Nebraska
1947 Minnesota
1948 Arkansas
1949 Louisiana
1950 Montana
1951 Minnesota
1952 Louisiana
1953 Louisiana
1954 Hawaii
1955 Minnesota
1956 Minnesota
1957 Louisiana
1958 Nevada
1959 Louisiana
1960 North Dakota
1961 Louisiana
1962 Nevada

March 31 Determining Date

1963 Utah
1964 Ohio
1965 Louisiana
1966 Mississippi
1967 Hawaii
1968 Kansas
1969 Louisiana
1970 Arkansas
1971 Delaware
1972 Louisiana
1973 North Dakota
1974 Nevada
1975 Ohio
1976 Utah
1977 Idaho
HENRY D. LINDSLEY TROPHY RECIPIENTS (continued)

1978 Arizona
1979 Florida
1980 France
1981 Florida
1982 Florida
1983 Alaska
1984 Wisconsin
1985 Nevada
1986 District of Columbia
1987 Delaware
1988 South Dakota
1989 South Dakota
1990 South Dakota
1991 West Virginia
1992 Delaware
1993 Colorado
1994 Idaho
1995 North Dakota
1996 Delaware
1997 Utah
1998 Maine
1999 South Dakota
2000 Delaware
2001 Delaware
2002 Delaware
2003 Delaware
2004 Delaware
2005 District of Columbia
2006 France
2007 Nevada
2008 Delaware
2009 None Awarded
2010 None Awarded
2011 None Awarded
2012 None Awarded
2013 None Awarded
2014 None Awarded
2015 None Awarded
THE AMERICAN LEGION NATIONAL RECRUITER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Description:

General: An engraved 11 ¾” x 14 ¾” shadow-box plaque.

Inscription: “National Membership Recruiter of the Year, (Year), (Recipient’s Name), Department of (Department Name).”

Presented By:

National Headquarters, The American Legion, Membership and Post Activities Committee.

Authority:

Recommended by the Membership and Post Activities Committee in 1987; amended by NEC Resolution No. 3, October 12-13, 2011.

How Awarded:

1. The individual certified with the highest number of new members recruited from among all of the departments will be declared “National Recruiter of the Year.”
2. The American Legion will provide one roundtrip coach airfare or vehicle mileage, in accordance with its employee mileage reimbursement rates, staff per diem for six days, two tickets to National Commander’s Banquet and lodging for five nights in accordance with travel policies of The American Legion for an individual recipient to receive the award at National Convention.
3. The American Legion will provide roundtrip coach airfare for one guest but will provide no incidental expenses or expenses incurred by guests accompanying the award recipient.
4. The Membership and Post Activities Committee will continue to be fully authorized to develop appropriate eligibility criteria, application procedures and deadlines and selection guidelines for department submissions.

Recipients:

1987    William Wesley, California
1988    Donald E. Linberg, Arizona
1989    Lloyd Holman
1990    John Koval, Florida
1991    Donald A. Summers, Florida
1992    Joe Chilelli, California
1993    Joe Chilelli, California
1994    Kerwin Bradford, Texas
1995    Joe Chilelli, California
1996    Joe Chilelli, California
1997    Joe Chilelli, California
1998    Clarence Short, Virginia
1999    Joe Chilelli, California
2000    K. W. Ohl, Indiana
2001    Harold Van Dyke, Virginia
2002    W. Gene Franks, Alaska
2003    Walter Saffold, Georgia
2004    Nathaniel King, Georgia
2005    James C. Topps, Michigan
2006    Dr. Frank H. Carr, Virginia
2007    Dr. Frank H. Carr, Virginia
2008    Dr. Frank H. Carr, Virginia
2009    RV Martin, Mississippi
2010    Nathaniel King, Georgia
2011    Nathaniel King, Georgia
2012    Dr. Frank H. Carr, Virginia
2013    Edgar J. Johnson, Georgia
2014    Robert J. Ouellette, Sr., Maryland
2015    Edgar J. Johnson, Georgia
Description:

General: Silver plated trophy cup with handles mounted on a square base.

Inscription: “North Carolina Trophy, presented by the Department of North Carolina American Legion to the department outside of the United States attaining the highest percentage of membership over its preceding year’s membership.”

Presented By:

The Department of North Carolina, The American Legion.

Authority:

January 1924 report of the Subcommittee on National Trophies and Awards.

How Awarded:

The North Carolina Trophy is to be awarded annually to that department thereof not included in the several state departments or the Department of the District of Columbia, that has the highest percentage of increase over its previous year’s final membership, by the close of business March 31 each year.

Conditions:

1. By action of the National Executive Committee, April 29 – May 1, 1953, the original trophy is to remain at National Headquarters, and a suitable laminated plaque containing a photograph of the trophy will be awarded to and retained by the winning department. Announcement of the award is to be made at each National Convention.
2. The North Carolina Trophy is to be awarded annually to that department thereof not included among the several state departments or the Department of District of Columbia, that has the highest percentage of members by the close of business March 31 each year as compared with the total number of members in the department on December 31 of the preceding year.
3. The membership of the department to be used in the calculation of the comparative percentage above referred to is to be taken from the books of the National Treasurer on the dates aforesaid.
4. No department having fewer than forty members on December 31 of the preceding year shall be eligible to receive the award of this trophy.

Recipients:

1924  Mexico
1925  France
1926  Philippines
1927  Canada
1928  Canada
1929  Hawaii
1930  Puerto Rico
1931  Puerto Rico
1932  Hawaii
1933  Italy
1934  Mexico
1935  Philippines
1936  Puerto Rico
1937  Hawaii
1938  Puerto Rico
1939  Mexico
1940  Mexico
1941  Mexico
1942  Canada
1943  Hawaii
1944  Canada
1945  Puerto Rico
1946  France
1947  Philippines
1948  Mexico
1949  Mexico
1950  Mexico
1951  Panama, Canal Zone
1952  Mexico
1953  Canada
1954  Hawaii
1955  Mexico
1956  Panama, Canal Zone
1957  Mexico
1958  Mexico
1959  Panama, Canal Zone
1960  Mexico
1961  Mexico
1962  Mexico
1963  Panama, Canal Zone
1964  Canada
1965  France
1966  Mexico
1967  Philippines
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1969  Canada
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O. L. BODENHAMER TROPHY

Description:

General: Silver plated trophy cup with handles, top piece and mounted on a base.

Inscription: O. L. Bodenhamer Trophy. Awarded annually to that department designated to lead the parade at the time of the ensuing National Convention.

Presented By:

Past National Commander, O. L. Bodenhamer.

Authority:

May 14, 1931 report of the National Trophies and Awards Committee.

How Awarded:

To be awarded annually to that department designated to lead the parade at the time of the ensuing National Convention.

Conditions:

1. By action of the National Executive Committee, April 29 – May 1, 1953, the original trophy is to remain at National Headquarters, and a suitable laminated plaque containing a photograph of the trophy will be awarded to and retained by the winning department. Announcement of the award is to be made at each National Convention.
2. The O. L. Bodenhamer Trophy will be awarded annually to that department designated to lead the parade at the time of the ensuing National Convention. The winner of this trophy shall be automatically determined by the same methods used in determining the department for parade position and convention seating arrangements for the next ensuing National Convention. The method of determining the winner of the O. L. Bodenhamer Trophy shall automatically change to comply with any subsequently revised method of determining order of departments for parade position and convention seating arrangements.
3. This award shall be confined to the fifty-two departments within the continental limits of the United States. (Puerto Rico also included.)
4. The membership of the department to be used in the calculation above referred to is to be taken from the books of the National Treasurer, including all membership mail postmarked in the departments up to the hour of midnight on the date set for determining parade position.

Recipients:

1931 Arizona
1932 Arizona
1933 Arizona
1934 Arizona
1935 Arizona
1936 Arizona
1937 Mississippi
1938 Mississippi
1939 Mississippi
1940 Georgia
1941 Alabama
1942 Alabama
1943 Alabama
1944 Alabama
1945 Alabama
1946 Virginia
1947 Vermont
1948 New Mexico
1949 New Mexico
1950 Colorado
1951 Colorado
1952 Louisiana
1953 Georgia
1954 North Dakota
1955 Minnesota
1956 Minnesota
1957 Idaho
1958 New Mexico
1959 Mississippi
1960 Mississippi
1961 South Dakota
1962 Alaska
1963 Hawaii
1964 Utah
1965 South Carolina
1966 Mississippi
1967 Hawaii
1968 Hawaii
1969 Hawaii
1970 Hawaii
1971 Delaware
1972 Hawaii
1973 Maryland
1974 North Dakota
1975 Wyoming
1976 Utah
1977 Idaho
1978 Idaho
1979 Arizona
1980 Arkansas
O. L. BODENHAMER TROPHY RECIPIENTS (continued)

1981  Arkansas
1982  Florida
1983  Arkansas
1984  Arkansas
1985  Nevada
1986  District of Columbia
1987  Virginia
1988  South Dakota
1989  Minnesota
1990  Delaware
1991  Delaware
1992  Hawaii
1993  Idaho
1994  Idaho
1995  Delaware
1996  Delaware
1997  Utah
1998  South Carolina
1999  South Dakota
2000  Nevada
2001  Delaware
2002  Delaware
2003  Delaware
2004  Delaware
2005  Delaware
2006  North Dakota
2007  Puerto Rico
2008  Vermont
2009  Maine
2010  Vermont
2011  Kentucky
2012  Florida
2013  Tennessee
2014  Colorado
2015  Georgia
THE AMERICAN LEGION AIR FORCE ACADEMY AWARD

Description:

General: Eagle and fledgling sculpture to be given annually to the Air Force Academy to be presented to a graduating cadet under terms and conditions prescribed by the Academy.

Inscription: The gift selected by the Air Force Academy will be suitably inscribed and will indicate that it has been donated by The American Legion.

Presented By:

National Headquarters, The American Legion.

Authority:

NEC Resolution No. 20, May 2-3, 1956; amended by Resolution No. 6 by the NEC, May 4-5, 2011.

How Awarded:

To be awarded annually to a graduating cadet of the Air Force Academy selected by the Academy Faculty.

Conditions:

1. The Air Force Academy has proposed and The American Legion has approved the sponsorship of the General Muir S. Fairchild Award. This award is presented annually to that graduating cadet who demonstrates the highest proficiency in all academic subjects.

2. The award is to become the property of the recipient and shall be presented to the cadet by the National Commander of The American Legion or by his delegate at a public ceremony designated annually by the Superintendent of the Academy, near the close of the academic year.

3. The National Headquarters has agreed to forward to the Superintendent of the Air Force Academy a sum of money not to exceed $500.00 annually with which a suitable gift will be purchased. The Academy has agreed to affect such purchase and also make a suitable inscription on it.

Recipients:

1959 Louis L. Kingsland, Jr., Midland Park, NJ
1960 David B. Luce, Orland, CA
1961 John D. Sullivan, Jr., Worcester, MA
1962 Peter Dodd Robins, Ann Arbor, MI
1963 Kent E. Harbaugh, Manson, IA
1964 Robert L. Sansom, Knoxville, TN
1965 Victor L. Genez, San Pedro, CA
1966 Charles M. Koliner, Broomall, PA
1967 Daniel I. Twomey, Los Angeles, CA
1968 Ansfried L. Kolbe, Walla Walla, WA
1969 Steven R. Sturm, Tyndall Air Force Base, FL
1970 William F. Rowell, Danvers, MA
1971 Larry Dale Autry, Athens, GA
1972 Donald A. Peppers, Herculaneum, MO
1973 Clay A. Stewart, Ogden, UT
1974 Robert H. Gibbs, Schofield, WI
1975 William K. Davis, Downey, CA
1976 Luckey M. Dunn, Daytona Beach, FL
1977 Richard A. Lucal, Martinsburgh, WV
1978 Richard A. Searfoss, Akron, OH
1979 William P. Doyle, Jr., Simi Valley, CA
1980 William A. Ehrenstrom, La Plata, MD
1981 Daniel O. Wyman, Las Vegas, NV
1982 Glenn E. James, Budd Lake, NJ
1983 Silvia Ann Beatty
1984 Keith Heien, St. Charles, MO
1985 Robert A. Kaucic, Jr., Newark, DE
1986 Keith Kudla, Dayton, OH
1987 Hoand N. Tran, Rohnert Park, CA
1988 Ron Simmons, Midlothian, IL
1989 Kenneth Plaks, Moorpark, CA
1990 Britanny J. Thurber, Portland, OR
1991 James P. Dutton, Jr., Eugene, OR
1992 Paul J. Fronapfel, Arvada, CO
1993 Gina L. Hilger, Troutville, VA
1994 Scottie L. Zamzow, Victoria, TX
1995 Douglas P. Wickert, Beavercreek, OH
1996 George N. Schwartz
1997 James E. Smith
1998 Nikolas W. Stengle
1999 Jeffry D. Moffitt
2000 Nicholas J. Sweeney
2001 Andrew S. Malin
2002 Paul J. Calhoun
2003 Tyler W. Robarge
2004 James M. Valpiani
2005 Andrew Sellers
2006 Brady M. Cillo
2007 Brian J. Pascuzzi
2008 Anthony J. Stinton
2009 Alicia M. Stirewalt
2010 Thomas R. Stuart
2011 Bradley R. Dewees
2012 Eric J. Robinson
2013 Austin B. McKinney
2014 Blake Abrecht
2015 Rebecca A. Esselstein
THE AMERICAN LEGION COAST GUARD ACADEMY AWARD

Description:

General: A watch and remainder cash to be given annually to the Coast Guard Academy to be presented to a graduating cadet under terms and conditions prescribed by the Academy.

Inscription: The gift selected by the Coast Guard Academy will be suitably inscribed and will indicate that it has been donated by The American Legion.

Presented By:
National Headquarters, The American Legion

Authority:
May 5-6, 1938 report of National Trophies and Awards Committee; amended by Resolution No. 46, NEC, April 29 – May 1, 1959; amended by Resolution No. 6 by the NEC, May 4-5, 2011.

How Awarded:

To be awarded annually to that cadet of the graduating class at the United States Coast Guard Academy who is considered to have excelled personally in athletics.

Conditions:

1. The award is to become the property of the recipient. It shall be presented to him/her by a representative of The American Legion, delegated by the National Commander, at a public ceremony to be designated annually by the Superintendent of the Coast Guard Academy near the close of the academic year. The award shall also be published in the National Convention Program Booklet.
2. The award is to be made annually to the cadet of the graduating class of the Coast Guard Academy who is considered to have excelled personally in athletics.
3. National Headquarters shall purchase the award, not to exceed $500.00, elected by the recipient at the cadet store of said Academy, if possible, and shall arrange for the making of the inscription.

Recipients:

1938 Robert Walron, Bethlehem, PA
1939 Robert W. Goehring, Somerville, NJ
1940 Joseph J. McClelland, Seattle, WA
1941 John F. Thompson, Jr., Tilton, NH (Feb)
1942 Charles E. Norton, Lawrenceburg, TN (June)
1943 Frank B. Carter, Pasadena, CA (June)
1944 John M. Dorsey, New London, CT
1945 Harbert J. Lynch, Jr., Meadville, PA
1946 John L. Wright, San Francisco, CA
1947 None Awarded
1948 Thomas T. Wetmore, III, New London, CT
1949 George M. Rynick, III, Upper Darby, PA
1950 Sidney B. Vaughn, St. Petersburg, FL
1951 Lambert J. Larson, Bellevue, WA
1952 Olin A. Lively, Abilene, TX
1953 William Russell, San Rafael, CA
1954 William J. Tille, Sioux City, IA
1955 Bobby F. Hollingsworth, Delray Beach, FL
1956 Ernest C. Allen, South Hadley Falls, MA
1957 Thomas D. Combs, Jr., Oceanside, NY
1958 Frank R. Grundman
1959 William B. Howland, Wallingford, CT
1960 James H. Parent, Greenville, ME
1961 Pete N. Thurman, Fallbrook, CA
1962 James H. Lightner, Alexandria, PA
1963 Richard A. Walsh, Baltimore, MD
1964 William G. MacDonald, Princeton, IL
1965 Robert W. Christiansen, Bellmore, NY
1966 William A. Kucharski, Jersey City, NJ
1967 Robert E. Long, Novelty, OH
1968 Robert B. Streeter, Greenwood, NY
1969 Gregory H. Magee, Yorktown, VA
1970 Philip E. Sherer, Crestline, OH
1971 Bruce W. Platz, Jr., Virginia Beach, VA
1972 Gary M. Heil, Rockville, MD
1973 Dennis G. Bohlauer, Honey Brook, PA
1974 Steven G. Hein, Tustin, CA
1975 Allen B. Hughes, Huntington Beach, CA
1976 George A. Capacci, Seneca Falls, NY
1977 James F. Murray, Falls Church, VA
1978 Scott E. Hartley, Largo, FL
1979 Michael P. Butler, Wilmington, DE
1980 Alex O. Simonka, Florenda, NJ
1981 Kurt J. Colliea, Timothy M. Henry
1982 Kevin M. O'Day, Greenville, RI
1983 Kenneth K. Moore, James E. Rendon
1984 John T. Hardin, New Castle, DE
1985 Kevin P. Crawley, Largo, FL
1986 Daniel Pippenger, Culver, IN
1987 Glenn L. Gebele
1988 Jesse Karl Moore, Laramie, WY
1989 Susan L. Gregg, Verona, PA
1990 Lane D. Johnson
1991 Edward St. Pierre
1992 Kevin E. Wirth
1993 William Carter
1994 Aaron E. Waters, Stringtown, PA
1995 Blake L. Novak, New London, CT
1996 Drew Orsinger
1997 Christian A. Lee
1998 Michael P. Stalters, Rockville, MD
1999 Kurt J. Colliea, Timothy M. Henry
2000 Kevin E. Wirth
2001 William Carter
2002 Aaron E. Waters, Stringtown, PA
2003 Blake L. Novak, New London, CT
2004 Drew Orsinger
2005 Christian A. Lee
2006 John H. Johnson
2007 Edward St. Pierre
2008 Kevin E. Wirth
2009 William Carter
2010 Aaron E. Waters, Stringtown, PA
2011 Blake L. Novak, New London, CT
2012 Drew Orsinger
2013 Christian A. Lee
2014 John H. Johnson
1998    Joshua Fant
1999    Michael Sharp
2000    Kyle S. Gahan
2001    Christopher Fertig
2002    Jason W. Haag
2003    Darby Schlaht
2004    James Conner
2005    Jonathan Tillman
2006    T. S. Crowley
2007    Michael L. Flint
2008    Robert J. Brown
2009    Craig Johnson
2010    Justin P. Brooks
2011    Carl Luxhøj
2012    Hayley Feindel
2013    Tyler Vieira
2014    Adam Scalesse
2015    Christian Brindamour
THE AMERICAN LEGION MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY AWARD

Description:

General: $500.00 to be given annually to the Merchant Marine Academy to be presented in the form of a gift to a graduating midshipman, under terms and conditions prescribed by the Academy.

Inscription: The gift selected by the Merchant Marine Academy will be suitably inscribed and will indicate that it has been donated by The American Legion.

Presented By:

National Headquarters, The American Legion.

Authority:

NEC Resolution No. 14, May 6, 1993; amended by Resolution No. 6 by the NEC, May 4-5, 2011.

How Awarded:

To be awarded annually to a graduating midshipman of the Merchant Marine Academy selected by the Academy Commandant.

Conditions:

1. The award is to become the property of the recipient. It shall be presented to the graduating midshipman by a representative of The American Legion, delegated by the National Commander at a public ceremony to be designated annually by the Superintendent of the Academy, near the close of the academic year. The award shall be also published in the National Convention Program Booklet.
2. The award is to be made annually to the graduating midshipman of the United States Merchant Marine Academy, who has contributed most to the success of the Color Guard of the Academy and shall be reported by the Superintendent thereof, to the National Adjutant. The selection of the recipient will be made by the Academy.
3. The National Headquarters shall forward to the Superintendent of the Merchant Marine Academy, a sum of money, not to exceed $500.00 annually, with which a United States Savings Bond will be purchased.

Recipients:

1994 None Awarded
1995 None Awarded
1996 Robert L. Norton
1997 Justin A. Dowd
1998 Matthew S. Ingerson
1999 George Lloyd Beck, Jr.
2000 Lee C. Dortzbach
2001 James M. Moore, Jr.
2002 Devin R. Blowes
2003 Preston M. Carnahan
2004 Edward L. DiPierro
2005 Walter V. Keane
2006 Adrian M. Zavala
2007 Benjamin D. Hayes
2008 Eric L. Deetjen
2009 Jonathan E. Wellman
2010 Andrea M. Morrison
2011 Nicolas A. Mann
2012 Nicholas S. Sottile
2013 Frank Joseph Osborne
2014 Nicholas J. Grippo
2015 Jake B. Wade
THE AMERICAN LEGION MILITARY ACADEMY AWARD

**Description:**

*General:* $250.00 to be given annually to the Military Academy to be presented in the form of a gift to a graduating cadet under terms and conditions prescribed by the Academy.

*Inscription:* The gift selected by the Military Academy will be suitably inscribed and will indicate that it has been donated by The American Legion.

**Presented By:**

National Headquarters, The American Legion.

**Authority:**

May 3, 1935 report of the National Trophies and Awards Committee; amended by Resolution No. 46, approved by the National Executive Committee.

**How Awarded:**

To be awarded annually to that cadet of the graduating class at the United States Military Academy with the highest standing in Chemistry.

**Conditions:**

1. The award is to become the property of the recipient. It shall be presented to the cadet by a representative of The American Legion, delegated by the National Commander, at a public ceremony to be designated annually by the Superintendent of the Academy near the close of the academic year. The award shall also be published in the National Convention Program Booklet.
2. The award is to be made annually to the cadet of the graduating class of the United States Military Academy who shall be reported by the superintendent thereof to the National Adjutant as having the highest standing in Chemistry.
3. The military and scientific books constituting the award shall be selected by the Superintendent of said Academy. National Headquarters shall purchase said books at the bookstore of said academy, if possible, and shall arrange for the making of the inscription. If the recipient desires a life membership in the National Geographic Association, the Superintendent shall arrange same for the cadet.

Note: 1998 – Cadet Award Program regulations governs/limits that no award can exceed a value of $250.00

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<td>Irving R. Obenchain, Jr., Birmingham, AL</td>
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THE AMERICAN LEGION NAVAL ACADEMY AWARD

Description:

General: A plaque and savings bond valued up to $500 with the remainder of the money after the purchase of the plaque to be given annually to the Naval Academy to be presented to a graduating midshipman under the terms and conditions prescribed by the Academy.

Inscription: The gift selected by the Naval Academy will be suitably inscribed and will indicate that it has been donated by The American Legion.

Presented By:

National Headquarters, The American Legion.

Authority:

May 3, 1935 report of the National Trophies and Awards Committee; amended September 1941 and again by Resolution No. 46, approved by the NEC; amended by Resolution No. 6 by the NEC, May 4-5, 2011.

How Awarded:

To be awarded annually to that graduating midshipman at the United States Naval Academy who stands highest in those English, History and Government Department courses taken to complete a Foreign Affairs major.

Conditions:

1. The award is to become the property of the recipient. It shall be presented to the midshipman by a representative of The American Legion, delegated by the National Commander, at a public ceremony to be designated annually by the Superintendent of the Academy, near the close of the academic year. The award shall also be published in the National Convention Program Booklet.
2. The award is to be made annually to the graduating midshipman of the United States Naval Academy who shall be reported by the Superintendent thereof to the National Adjutant as standing highest in those English, History and Government Department courses taken to complete a Foreign Affairs major.
3. The Academy shall prepare a plaque, suitably inscribed to indicate that it has been donated by The American Legion.
4. The balance of the monies will be presented to the midshipman in the form of a United States Savings Bond(s).

Recipients:

1935 Gould Hunter, U.S.S., PA
1936 Jack A. Obermeyer, New York, NY
1937 John E. Dace, Biloxi, MS
1938 Thomas C. Gurley, Glens Falls, NY
1939 Joseph T. Materi, Aberdeen, SD
1940 John W. Crawford, Jr., Tilton, NH
1941 Archie L. Julian, Washington, DC
1942 William C. Chapman, Cadillac, MI
1943 Carvel H. Blair, Annapolis, MD
1944 Chandler L. Beach, Huron, SD
1945 William R. Porter, Santa Ana, CA
1946 Robert C. Olson, Omaha, NE
1947 Charles E. Reid, Jr., Greenville, MS
1948 Ted W. Isles, Cranford, NJ
1949 William D. Shaughnessy, Waltham, MA
1950 Thomas A. Julian, Hollywood, CA
1951 Rodney L. Borum, High Point, NC
1952 Fred A. Hull, Concord, NC
1953 James P. Eadie, II, Long Island, NY
1954 Kyran M. O'Dwyer, Landover Hills, MD
1955 Arthur A. Aronson, New York, NY
1956 Lowell D. Hupp, Tipton, IN
1957 Timothy H. Marvin, Madeira, OH
1958 Alton K. Thompson, Dallas, TX
1959 James J. Connell, Wilmington, DE
1960 Roy N. Wallace, Los Angeles, CA
1961 Perry W. Miles, Danville, VA
1962 Barry M. Plott, Scottsdale, AZ
1963 Craig M. Rasmussen, Sanger, CA
1964 John S. Redd, Sidney, IA
1965 Leonard H. Passmore, McAllen, TX
1966 Otis K. Earle, Wallingford, PA
1967 Neil G. Mathison, Seattle, WA
1968 Carl A. Gaines, Jr., Dallas, TX
1969 James A. Babb, USNA, Annapolis, MD
1970 Stanley B. Weeks, Jacksonville, FL
1971 Richard F. Walsh, Manhasset, NY
1972 Richard M. Gutekunst, Gwynned, PA
1973 Jack E. Owne, Jr.
1974 James R. Fitzsimonds, Trumbull, CT
1975 George W. Croner, Fairview, PA
1976 Joseph F. Bouchard, Mugu, CA
1977 Steven C. Schliento, Tucumcari, NM
1978 Kevin R. O'Keefe, Fairflick, VA
1979 John Gahan, Huntsville, AL
1980 Carl W. Barbour, Richmond, VA
1981 Timothy S. MacGregor, Binghamton, NY
THE AMERICAN LEGION NAVAL ACADEMY AWARD RECIPIENTS (continued)

1982  Doman O. McArthur, Riverside, CA
      Kevin A. Boreen, Oak Harbor, WA
1983  David A. Radi
1984  Maarten Vermaat, Beloit, WI
1985  Eric W. Olson, Orofino, ID
1986  James Addison, Scotia, NY
1987  Michael Tobin, Florence, SC
1988  William W. Burkhart, Weir, MS
1989  Devon M. Burr, Washington, DC
1990  James M. Greene, Charlottesville, VA
1991  Stephen F. Murphy, Baltimore, MD
1992  Erik P. Bethel, Coral Gables, FL
1993  Scott A. Cooper, Casper, WY
1994  Paul G. Prokopovich, Pittsburgh, PA
1995  Benjamin A. Shupp, Houston, TX
1996  Jean-Paul Chretien
1997  Christopher J. Mandernach
1998  Jason T. Berg
1999  Jeffrey M. Monghan
2000  Elizabeth Anne McQuinn
2001  Phillip K. Sprincin
2002  Timothy E. Steigelman
2003  Joshua J. Lostetter
2004  Nathan Williams
2005  Douglas A. Robb
2006  Paul J. Angelo
2007  Joseph B. Hess
2008  Eric D. Gardiner
2009  Cory M. F. Kampf
2010  William N. Murray
2011  Nicholas R. Birger
2012  Nicholas A. Denney
2013  Michael DeLong
2014  Justin Chock
2015  Andrea Howard
**Description:**

*General:* Winning departments are awarded with a congratulatory recognition letter of appreciation certified by the National Commander’s Signature.

*Inscription:* “The American Legion National Commander’s Award is presented to (name of winning department) for actively participating in The American Legion’s Blood Donor Program.”

**Authority:**

The criteria for the National Commander’s Blood Donor Awards for Post and Individual Participation is based on Resolution No. 14, adopted at the Spring meeting, May 8-9, 1985 of the National Executive Committee.

**How Awarded:**

Announced during The American Legion National Convention and congratulatory recognition letters of appreciation are mailed to the winning departments’ adjutants as appropriate by category determined by the number of members in each department.

**Conditions:**

Department adjutants are requested to complete the Commander’s Annual Blood Donor report as contained in the Department Adjutant’s Administrative Manual and to forward it no later than July 15 to the Director of National Security Division.

*Category I –* Departments with 100,000 or more members.

*Category II –* Departments with 70,000 to 99,999 members.

*Category III –* Departments with 40,000 to 69,999 members.

*Category IV –* Departments with 25,000 to 39,999 members.

*Category V –* Departments with 10,000 to 24,999 members.

*Category VI –* Departments with less than 10,000 members.

**Recipients:**

1985
- Category I Post – Florida
  Individual – Illinois
- Category II Post – Nebraska
  Individual – Nebraska
- Category III Post – Arizona
  Individual – Arizona
- Category IV Post – Montana
  Individual – Montana
- Category V Post – Rhode Island
  Individual – Rhode Island

1986
- Category I Post – Illinois
- Category II Post – Nebraska
  Individual – Massachusetts
- Category III Post – Arizona
  Individual – Arizona
- Category IV Post – Montana
  Individual – New Hampshire
- Category V Post – Wyoming
  Individual – Wyoming

1987
- Category I Post – Illinois
  Individual – Illinois
- Category II Post – Nebraska
  Individual – Nebraska
- Category III Post – Arizona
  Individual – Tennessee
- Category IV Post – Montana
  Individual – New Hampshire
- Category V Post – Rhode Island
  Individual – Rhode Island

1988
- Category I Post – Illinois
  Individual – Illinois
- Category II Post – Florida
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- Category III Post – Nebraska
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THE AMERICAN LEGION NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Description:

General: An engraved 11 ¾” x 14 ¾” shadow-box bronze plaque mounted on a red background.

Inscription: “The American Legion National Law Enforcement Officer of the Year Award presented to (name of recipient) for (brief reason for recognition).”

Presented By:

At the discretion of The National Commander, at the annual National Convention, upon the recommendation of the Law and Order & Homeland Security Committee of the National Security Commission.

Authority:

Recommended by the National Security Commission and adopted by the National Executive Committee as Resolution No. 24 during its Fall meeting, October 18-19, 1995; amended by NEC Resolution No. 5, October 12-13, 2011.

How Awarded:

Awarded annually by the National Commander at the National Convention of The American Legion to the national winner; signed by the National Commander.

Conditions:

1. The award shall recognize an outstanding law enforcement officer as selected from Department Law Enforcement Officer winners for distinguished on- and-off-duty service.
2. The accomplishments for which the award is presented shall have been in accordance with, or in furtherance of, established American Legion policies or programs and it shall have contributed to the preservation of law and order as well as the American way of life.
3. Department submissions may include nominees who are full-time and sworn law enforcement officers at city, county, sheriff, state police and highway patrol levels and from the federal law enforcement agencies.
4. The American Legion will provide roundtrip coach airfare or vehicle mileage, in accordance with its employee mileage reimbursement rates, staff per diem for two days, two tickets to the National Commander’s Banquet and lodging for one night in accordance with travel policies of The American Legion for an individual recipient or a single representative of a group or organization to receive the award at National Convention. The American Legion will not provide for any incidental expenses or any expenses incurred by guests accompanying the award recipient.
5. The four regional runner-ups from the five regions (Central, Midwest, Northeast, Southeast and Western) will each receive an engraved shadow-box plaque measuring 10” x 12”.

Recipients:

1997 Corporal William T. Rhodes, Huntingdon, PA
1998 Deputy Sheriff Earl P. McDonald, Jr., Point A La Hache, LA
1999 Police Officer Ronald Tookes, Miami-Dade, FL
2000 Chief Deputy Sheriff Thomas W. Little, Decatur, AL
2001 Corporal Jeffrey D. Goldsmith, Hutchinson, MN
2002 Deputy Casey R. Nelms, Sutherland, NE
2003 Police Officer 1st Class Timothy C. Wiley, Howard County Department of Police, MD
2004 Officer 1st Class Patrick W. Eckley, Howard County Police Department, Ellicott City, MD
2005 Detective Mark S. Cottom, Springfield Township Police Department, Springfield, NJ
2006 Officer Charles Roessler, Milwaukee Police Department, Milwaukee, WI
2007 Police Sergeant Julie A. Asmus, Willmar State Police Department, Willmar, MN
2008 Chief Judith A. Bradshaw, Des Moines Police Department, Des Moines, IA
2009 Officer Christopher Biron, Manchester Police Department, Manchester, NH
2010 Captain Michael LaVine, Metro Transit Police Department, Minneapolis, MN
2011 Officer Scott P. Womack, Raleigh Police Department, Raleigh, NC
2012 Chief Paul Doucette, Bennington Police Department, Bennington, VT
2013 Deputy Miste M. Strickland, Nash County Sheriff’s Office, Middlesex, NC
2014 Detective Sgt. Andrew D. Anisman, Bensalem Township Police Department, Bucks County, PA
2015 Deputy Sheriff Ben Adams, Marion County Sheriff’s Office, Ocala, FL
THE AMERICAN LEGION NATIONAL FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Description:

General: An engraved 11 ¾” x 14 ¾” shadow-box bronze plaque mounted on a red background.

Inscription: “The American Legion National Firefighter of the Year Award is presented to (name of recipient) for (brief reason for recognition).”

Presented By:

At the discretion of The National Commander, at the annual National Convention, upon the recommendation of the Law and Order & Homeland Security Committee of the National Security Commission.

Authority:

NEC Resolution No. 44, May 6-7, 2009; amended by NEC Resolution No. 4, October 12-13, 2011.

How Awarded:

Awarded annually by the National Commander at the National Convention of The American Legion to the national winner signed by the National Commander.

Conditions:

1. The award shall recognize an outstanding firefighter with an appropriate award.
2. The accomplishments for which the award is presented shall have been in accordance with, or in furtherance of, established American Legion policies or programs and it shall have contributed to the preservation as well as the American way of life.
3. Department submissions may include nominees who are full-time and a sworn firefighter and a National Fire Fighter of the Year Award would be a fitting recognition of ‘America’s Bravest’. The American Legion annually recognize a National Fire Fighter of the Year with an appropriate award which shall be presented at National Convention or other American Legion settings as deemed appropriate.
4. The American Legion will provide one roundtrip coach airfare or vehicle mileage in accordance with its employee mileage reimbursement rates, staff per diem for two days, two tickets to the National Commander’s Banquet and lodging for one night in accordance with travel policies of The American Legion for an individual recipient or a single representative of a group or organization to receive the award at National Convention. The American Legion will not provide for any incidental expenses or any expenses incurred by guests accompanying the award recipient.
5. The four regional runner-ups from the five regions (Central, Midwest, Northeast, Southeast and Western) will each receive an engraved shadow-box plaque measuring 10” x 12”.

Recipients:

2010 Marcus Haynes, Valdosta Fire Department, Valdosta, GA
2011 Captain Brian S. Michel, Pike County Emergency Services, Zebulon, GA
2012 Lieutenant Tom Christensen, Waukegan Fire Department, Waukegan, IL
2013 Deputy Chief Lisa Young, Mahoning Township Fire Department, Danville, PA
2014 Sara A. Shaffer, Fire/Emergency Medical Services Department, Prince George’s County, MD
2015 Steven Brune, West Point Rescue, West Point, NE
PAUL H. GRIFFITH ROTC TROPHY

Description:

General: A laminated plaque containing a photograph of the trophy.

Presented By:

Friends of Past National Commander Paul H. Griffith in his memory.

Authority:

NEC Resolution No. 21, October 8-9, 1975, amended by NEC Resolution No. 17, May 7-8, 2014.

How Awarded:

Announced during The American Legion National Convention and congratulatory recognition letter of appreciation are mailed to the winning departments’ adjutants as appropriate.

Conditions:

Department adjutants are requested to complete the Paul H. Griffith Annual ROTC Report as contained in the Department Adjutant’s Administrative Manual and to forward it to the Director of the National Security Division no later than July 15.

Recipients:

1976 Arizona, Delaware, Maine, Minnesota, Panama–Canal Zone
1977 Delaware, Maine, Minnesota
1978 Delaware, District of Columbia, Maine, Minnesota, Nevada and Panama–Canal Zone
1979 Minnesota, Nevada
1980 Minnesota, Maine
1981 Alaska, Minnesota
1982 Alaska, Massachusetts, Minnesota, North Dakota, Puerto Rico
1983 Delaware, Minnesota, North Dakota
1984 Delaware, Minnesota, North Dakota
1985 Delaware, Florida, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Mississippi, North Dakota
1986 Florida, Minnesota
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1988 Minnesota
1989 Florida
1990 Alaska, Delaware, Florida, Minnesota
1991 Alaska, District of Columbia, Delaware, Florida, Minnesota
1992 Alaska, Delaware, Florida, Minnesota, Puerto Rico
1993 Alaska, Delaware, Florida, Illinois, Minnesota
2001 Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Minnesota, New York, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Vermont
2002 Alabama, Arkansas, California, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Maine, Minnesota
2003 Hawaii, Illinois, Minnesota, Montana
2004 Alaska, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Minnesota, Montana, Virginia
2005 Alaska, Colorado, Hawaii, Minnesota, Montana
2006 Florida, Illinois, Iowa, Maryland, Minnesota, Montana, Tennessee
2007 Alaska, Colorado, Hawaii, Minnesota, Puerto Rico, South Carolina, Tennessee
2008 Alaska, Hawaii, Minnesota, Montana, New York, Oregon, Puerto Rico, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee
2009 Florida, Minnesota, Michigan, Montana, Hawaii
2010 None Awarded
2011 Alaska, Hawaii, Illinois, Minnesota, Montana, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, Virginia
2012 Alaska, Hawaii, Illinois, Maryland, Minnesota, Montana
2013 Alaska, Hawaii, Illinois, Maryland, Minnesota, Montana
2014 Alaska, Colorado, Hawaii, Maryland, Minnesota
2015 Alaska, Colorado, Hawaii, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota, Tennessee
THE AMERICAN LEGION FOURTH ESTATE AWARD

Description:

General: Bronze plaque mounted on a 15” walnut pylon.

Inscription: “The American Legion (Year) Fourth Estate Award For Outstanding Achievement In The Field Of Journalism Presented To (Name of Recipient), for (Title of Winning Work).”

Presented By:

National Headquarters, The American Legion, Media & Communications Commission.

Authority:

Resolution No. 30, National Executive Committee, April 30-May 1, 1958, known as The American Legion Fourth Estate Award and subsequently changed to The American Legion Mercury Award. Digest of Minutes of Executive Session of the Public Relations Commission, Friday, March 3, 1961, name of American Legion Mercury Award changed to The American Legion Fourth Estate Award. (Memo of June 15, 1965 from James C. Watkins to R. E. Lyngh.); amended by Resolution No. 8, approved by the National Executive Committee, October 12-13, 2011.

How Awarded:

Fourth Estate entries may be submitted by an individual, publication, website or broadcast organization. All necessary documentation and supporting evidence for the entry is the responsibility of the entrant.

Members of The American Legion may nominate a qualified individual, publication, website or broadcast organization by sending a letter containing the name and address of the nominee and the information on the accomplishment or activity for which they are being nominated to the National Public Relations Division. The Division will inform the individual or organization of the nomination and entry procedures.

Conditions:

1. The National Executive Committee in the above named resolution authorized formerly by the National Public Relations Commission to establish necessary rules and procedures for public relations appreciation awards and to issue such awards in suitable form to the press, radio, television or other communications media; to associations of the same; to owners, executive heads or staff members; such awards to be in recognition of an outstanding service to the community, state or nation, which service shall have been in accordance with or the furtherance of established American Legion policies or programs.

2. Under the above cited authority, the former National Public Relations Commission established The American Legion Fourth Estate Award and adopted, with the approval of the National Adjutant, rules providing:

   (1) that the awards will be confined to the communications media and will be made for an activity or accomplishment which is national in scope or in its impact; (2) the activity or accomplishment shall have been in accordance with or in the furtherance of established American Legion policies or programs and shall have contributed to the preservation of the American way of life; (3) there will be no grades or classifications of the award.

3. The American Legion will provide each of the three media Fourth Estate Award Recipients of the Year with a $2,000 stipend (total of $6,000) to cover transportation, lodging and incidental expenses for their representatives’ acceptance trip to National Convention, one ticket for the National Commander’s Banquet if they choose to arrive early.

*Award known as The American Legion Mercury Award.

Recipients:

1958  Jim Lucas
1959* Advertising Council, Inc.
1959* Chicago Tribune
   U.S. News & World Report
1960* Hearst Newspapers
1961 Scripps-Howard Newspapers
   Jack L. Warner, President, Warner Brothers Pictures
1962  Fulton Lewis, Jr.
1963  The Copley Press, Inc.
   This Week Magazine
1964  The Chicago Tribune
   Mississippi Publishers Corp.
1965  Clark Mollenhoff, Cowles Publications
   Paul Harvey, American Broadcasting Company
   Golden West Broadcasters
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<td>George W. Healy, Jr.</td>
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<td>Anheuser Busch, Inc.</td>
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<td>Augustin Edwards, El Mercurio, Santiago, Chile</td>
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<td>Clare Boothe Luce</td>
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<td>Pittsburgh Tribune-Review, Pittsburgh, PA (Newspaper)</td>
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<td>James J. Kilpatrick, Jr.</td>
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<td>The Indianapolis Star, Indianapolis, IN (Internet)</td>
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<td>The Columbus Dispatch</td>
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<td>USA TODAY, McLean, VA (Newspaper)</td>
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<td>Mort Walker</td>
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<td>N. LaVer Christensen, Editor Emeritus of the Daily Herald, Provo, UT</td>
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<td>2019</td>
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<td>Margaretta A. Downey, The Poughkeepsie Journal, Poughkeepsie, NY</td>
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<td>Michael Trihey, Tamara Welch, The Bakersfield Californian</td>
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<td>Philip Dine, The St. Louis Post Dispatch</td>
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<td>USA Today (Newspaper), CNN (Broadcast), CBSNews.com (Internet)</td>
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<td>Ted Lewis, KSNW-TV, Wichita, KS</td>
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<td>Marcia Stepanek &amp; Charles J. Lewis, Hearst Newspapers, Washington Bureau/Albany Times Union</td>
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<td>James C. “Denny” Crimmins, Chairman, High Road Productions, Palo Alto, CA</td>
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<td>Alyssa Lenhoff &amp; Ed Simpson, Tribune Chronicle, Warren, OH</td>
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<td>USA Today (Newspaper), CNN (Broadcast), CBSNews.com (Internet)</td>
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<td>Russell Carollo, Christine Willamsen, Mike Wagner and Doug Harris, Reporters, Dayton Daily News, Dayton, OH</td>
<td>2036</td>
<td>USA Today (Newspaper), CNN (Broadcast), CBSNews.com (Internet)</td>
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THE AMERICAN LEGION NATIONAL COMMANDER'S PUBLIC RELATIONS AWARD

Description:

General: 18” x 22” walnut shadow box plaque with metal etched inscribed plate.

Inscription: “The American Legion National Commander’s Public Relations Award presented to (name of winner) for (brief reason for recognition).”

Authority:

Recommended by National Public Relations Commission, approved by the National Adjutant, June 10, 1968, in accordance with provision of Resolution No. 30, National Executive Committee, April 30 – May 1, 1958; amended by the National Executive Committee, Resolution No. 9, October 12-13, 2011.

Note: Recipients received this award prior to it becoming an official award in 1968.

How Awarded:

Presented by the National Commander, at his discretion, at National Convention, upon the recommendation of the Chairman of the National Media and Communications Commission.

Conditions:

1. The award shall recognize an outstanding individual and/or organization for distinguished public service in the field or work of communication.
2. The activity or accomplishments for which the award is presented shall have been in accordance with or in furtherance of established American Legion policies or programs and it shall have contributed to the preservation of the American way of life.
3. Nominations for the award may be made by the National Commander, a member of the Media & Communications Commission or the Director of the Media & Communications Division.
4. The individual offering a nomination for the award shall be responsible for obtaining all necessary documentation and supporting evidence.
5. The American Legion shall provide the National Commander’s Public Relations Award Recipient one roundtrip first-class airfare within the Continental United States to National Convention plus executive transportation to and from the airport if the award winner is not a resident of the Convention city area, one night lodging at Convention headquarters hotel, up to four tickets for the National Commander’s Head Table Reception and Banquet, reimbursement of normal and customary expenses as determined by The American Legion and the National Commander will provide the award recipient a one-year membership in The American Legion, if eligible, and not already a member.

Recipients:

1961 Robert W. Sarnoff, National Broadcasting Corporation
1962 Jess Gorkin, Parade Magazine
1963 Lyle C. Wilson, United Press International
1964 David Lawrence, News & World Report
1965 Brigadier General David Sarnoff, Radio Corp of America
1966 Leonard H. Goldenson, American Broadcasting Company
1967 American Newspaper Publishers Association
1968 Jack Valenti, Motion Picture Association of America
(See note under Authority)
1969 Efrem Zimbalist, Jr.
1970 Red Skelton
1971 Brigadier General Daniel James, Jr., USAF
1972 Lowell Thomas
1973 None Awarded
1974 Jack Anderson
1975 Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson
1976 National Association of Broadcasters
1977 Karl Malden
1978 Stanley Roger “Stan” Smith
1979 James H. Webb, Jr.
1980 Paul “Bear” Bryant
1982 Sarah McClendon
1983 Eunice Kennedy Shriver
1984 “Real People” Television Program
1985 ABC Sports
1986 John Walsh
1987 William J. Bennett, Secretary of Education, Washington, DC
1988 LaPrensa, Opposition Newspaper, Nicaragua
1989 Lee Greenwood
1990 Richard Severo and Lewis Milford
1991 Kevin Dobson
1992 Zachary and Elizabeth Fisher
1993 Gordon Gund
1994 Bill Mauldin
1995  Jack Smith
1996  James Kimsey
1997  Justin Dart, Jr.
1998  Tom Brokaw
1999  Alan Keyes
2000  Heather Renee French
2001  The Wal-Mart Corporation
2002  NASCAR
2003  Wayne Newton
2004  Donald P. Bellisario
2005  Tim Russert, Host, Meet the Press, NBC Television Show
2006  John Fales “Sgt. Shaft”, Washington, DC
2007  Extreme Makeover Home Edition, Los Angeles, CA
2008  Lou Dobbs
2009  Ben Stein
2010  GI Film Festival
2011  Nesse Goodin, Holocaust Survivor
2012  Captain Dale Dye, US Marine (Retired)
2013  Robert “Bob” Woodruff, ABC World News
2014  Lt. Col. Oliver North, USMC (Retired)
2015  None Awarded
THE AMERICAN LEGION PATRIOT AWARD

Description:

General: A black plaque with The American Legion gold emblem, gold eagle and a copy block on black glass printed in gold offset containing the name of the recipient.

Inscription: Brief description of the reason the individual is being honored.

Presented By:

National Headquarters, The American Legion, National Commander.

Authority:

Resolution No. 177, 2007 National Convention; amended by the National Executive Committee, Resolution No. 10, October 12-13, 2011.

How Awarded:

To be awarded to outstanding citizens who have demonstrated a profound and exceptional commitment to military personnel and their families.

Conditions:

1. Presented on an as-needed basis for outstanding service or actions that are far above the norm in supporting American service men and women veterans.
2. All nominations must be presented by department action or by the National Commander.
3. The American Legion shall provide to the Patriot Award Recipient of the Year with one roundtrip coach airfare or vehicle mileage in accordance with its employee mileage reimbursement rates within the Continental United State to the National Convention, two nights lodging at a convention hotel, up to four tickets to the National Commander’s Banquet and three days per diem in accordance with travel policies of The American Legion.

Recipients:

2007  Michael G. Reagan and Kaziah Hancock
2008  The Landstuhl Regional Medical Center, Clinical Pastoral Division
2009  Lieutenant Colonel Michael Strobl, USMC (Ret)
2010  Major David Howell, Lance Orton and Duane Jackson
2011  Colonel Gregory Gadson, US Army, Director, Wounded Warrior Program
2013  Samsung North America
2014  The Honorable Bernard Sanders, United States Senate, Washington, DC
      The Honorable Jeff Miller, United States House of Representatives, Washington, DC
2015  The Oak Ridge Boys
THE AMERICAN LEGION SPIRIT OF SERVICE AWARD

Description:

General: An engraved glass and marble award trophy.

Presented By:

National Headquarters, The American Legion, National Commander.

Authority:

Resolution No. 23, National Executive Committee, October 12-13, 2011, amended by Resolution No. 64, National Executive Committee, October 14-15, 2015. Note: Recipients received this award prior to it becoming an official award October 12-13, 2011.

How Awarded:

To be awarded annually to representatives of the five branches of the United States military during the annual National Convention of The American Legion.

Conditions:

1. The Department of Defense, the five military departments and working with the reserve components have identified the most outstanding men and women each year to receive this distinguished recognition.
2. The American Legion Spirit of Service Award recipients have received press coverage in Armed Service News dispatches, the Pentagon Channel, their military base newspapers and their home town publications.
3. Spirit of Service Award recipients will forever carry with them rewarding experiences of their association with their American Legion comrades at National Convention and serve as positive voices among their peers for the organization.
4. All five service members participate in National Convention activities and showcase the professionalism and dedication of today’s armed forces.
5. The American Legion shall provide each of the five Spirit of Service Award recipients of the Year with one roundtrip coach airfare or vehicle mileage in accordance with its employee mileage reimbursement rates within the Continental United States to the National Convention, four nights lodging at a convention hotel, up to two tickets to the National Commander’s Banquet, staff per diem for five day’s and the National Commander will provide each of the five recipients their first year membership in The American Legion, if not already a member.

Recipients:

2000  Army – Laura Jernigan  
Navy – Annette French  
Marine Corps – Evella “Eva” Smith  
Coast Guard – Corey Kiiing  
Air Force – Billy Fly

2001  Army – Jousette Durkop  
Navy – Anjail Weaver  
Marine Corps – Charles Crossfield  
Coast Guard – Charles Martin  
Air Force – Joseph Cormier

2002  Army – Eric Hall  
Navy – Jesse Givens  
Marine Corps – Charles Cloud  
Coast Guard – Francine Sak  
Air Force – Christopher Calbreth

2003  Army – Jacob White  
Navy – Alysha Haran  
Marine Corps – Joseph Shamay  
Coast Guard – Rick Carroll  
Air Force – Daniel Shipley

2004  Army – Russell Burnham  
Navy – Luciana Rodrigues  
Marine Corps – Clinton Firstbrook  
Coast Guard – Patricia Johnson  
Air Force – Catherine Lammom

2005  Army – Megan McCartney  
Navy – Elizabeth Avalos  
Marine Corps – Jeffrey Caraway  
Coast Guard – Erik Relford  
Air Force – Roland Kearney

2006  Army – Renee E. Drause  
Navy – Dempsey Tomblin  
Marine Corps – Kristianna Huntington  
Coast Guard – Katie S. Anthony  
Air Force – Edward Slavik

2007  Army – Korey Chandler  
Navy – Gaurav Patel  
Marine Corps – Matthew W. Stone  
Coast Guard – David Edelson  
Air Force – Robb Hulet

2008  Army – Jeffrey Jenkins  
Navy – Kederick Thorn  
Marine Corps – Kerri Frost  
Coast Guard – James A. Abels  
Air Force – Jeffrey S. Rees

2009  Army – Michael Ross  
Navy – Matthew Stroup  
Marine Corps – Nickoli Atkinson-Pettigrew  
Coast Guard – Stephen Diggs  
Air Force – Tony Jacobsmeier
THE AMERICAN LEGION SPIRIT OF SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (continued)

2010  Army – Chelsey Billing  
       Navy – Thomas Lothridge  
       Marine Corps – Avery Washington  
       Coast Guard – David Downham  
       Air Force – Edward Perez  

2011  Army – Stephen D. Alder  
       Navy – Megan Donnell  
       Marine Corps – Omar A. Caraballo Pietri  
       Coast Guard – Jacob Lowery  
       Air Force – Brandyn M. Walter  

2012  Army – Joshua J. Boudreaux  
       Navy – Alvin Balthazar  
       Marine Corps – Juan Vallejomunoz  
       Coast Guard – Tyler T. Arrowood  
       Air Force – Chris T. Pearson  

2013  Army – Edwin Garcia  
       Navy – Komlan Agbagba  
       Marine Corps – Man T. Chan  
       Coast Guard – Shawn Pugmire  
       Air Force – Beau Vore  

2014  Army – Cassandra Rousayne  
       Navy – Porfirio Pimentel  
       Marine Corps – Ricardo Gonzalez  
       Coast Guard – Jessica M. Day  
       Air Force – Kristina L. Manson  

2015  Army – Danielle M. Salley  
       Navy – Fredelyne Dolores  
       Marine Corps – Stephen k. Little  
       Coast Guard – Casey B. Lawrence  
       Air Force – Richard L. Baskerville
ARCH M. CANTRALL TROPHY

Description:

General: Banner of red and orange lettering with “National Champion Band, The American Legion.”

Inscription: On metal plate attached to staff indicating winning post and department each year.

Presented By:

National Headquarters, The American Legion, National Commander.

Authority:

August 27, 1947 report of National Trophies, Awards and Ceremonials Committee.

How Awarded:

To be awarded annually to that American Legion band winning first place in competition with all other American Legion Bands during the annual National Convention of The American Legion.

Conditions:

1. By action of the National Executive Committee, April 29 – May 1, 1953, the original trophy is to remain at National Headquarters and a suitable laminated plaque containing a photograph of the trophy will be awarded to and retained by the winning department. Announcement of the award is to be made at each National Convention.
2. Said trophy is to be awarded annually to that American Legion band winning first place in competition with all other American Legion bands during the annual National Convention of The American Legion.
3. Such competition shall be conducted under the supervision of, and according to the rules and regulations prepared by, the National Contests Supervisory Committee or such successor thereto as may be established by the National Executive Committee.
4. In the event there shall be at any annual National Convention more than one contest, or more than one class or division of the contest, for American Legion bands, said trophy shall be awarded to The American Legion band winning first place in that contest or in that class or division of the contest in which marching ability or marching and maneuvering ability shall have the higher or highest weight as a judging point. The Supervisory Committee shall have the authority to designate, subject to the foregoing, the contest, class or division, to the winner of which said trophy is to be awarded.
5. Each Past National Champion American Legion Band shall have the privilege of purchasing, at its own expense, and carrying among its colors a replica of said trophy banner, provided there is lettered thereon the year in which it won first place in said contest and the words “Past National Champion Band.”

Recipients:

1947 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1948 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1949 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1950 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1951 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1952 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1953 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1954 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1955 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1956 Olympia Post 3, Olympia, WA
1957 Charles H. Carey Post 56, Salem, OH
1958 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1959 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1960 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1961 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1962 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1963 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1964 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
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1967 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1968 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
ARCH M. CANTRALL TROPHY RECIPIENTS (continued)

1969  A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL  
1970  A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL  
1971  Joliet Legion Band, Post 1284, Joliet, IL  
1972  Tonawandas Post 264, Tonawanda, NY  
1973  No Contest Conducted  
1974  Joliet Legion Band, Post 1284, Joliet, IL  
1975  Joliet Legion Band, Post 1284, Joliet, IL  
1976  No Contest Conducted  
1977  Oconomowoc American Legion Band, Post 91, Oconomowoc, WI  
1978  Joliet Legion Band, Post 1284, Joliet, IL  
1979  Joliet Legion Band, Post 1284, Joliet, IL  
1980  Joliet Legion Band, Post 1284, Joliet, IL  
1981  No Contest Conducted  
1982  Joliet Legion Band, Post 1284, Joliet, IL  
1983  Kansas City American Legion Band, City Central Executive Committee, Post of Kansas City and the 5th District, Kansas City, MO  
1984  No Contest Conducted  
1985  Joliet Legion Band, Post 1284, Joliet, IL  
1986  The Tonawandas Post 264, Tonawanda, NY  
1987  Stephen Sikora Post 1322, North Tonawanda, NY  
1988  The Tonawandas Post 264, Tonawanda, NY  
1989  The Tonawandas Post 264, Tonawanda, NY  
1990  American Legion Band of the Tonawandas Post 264, Tonawanda, NY  
1991  Oconomowoc American Legion Band Post 91, Oconomowoc, WI  
1992  Joliet Legion Band, Post 1284, Joliet, IL  
1993  American Legion Band of the Tonawandas, Post 264, Tonawanda, NY  
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2002  American Legion Band of the Tonawandas, Post 264, Tonawanda, NY  
2003  Joliet Legion Band, Post 1080, Joliet, IL  
2004  American Legion Band of the Tonawandas, Post 264, Tonawanda, NY  
2005  The Kansas City American Legion Band, Kansas City, MO  
2006  St. Josephs Park Post 1080, Joliet, IL  
2007  St. Josephs Park Post 1080, Joliet, IL  
2008  American Legion Band of the Tonawandas, Williamsville, NY  
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2011  American Legion Band of the Tonawandas, Williamsville, NY  
2012  American Legion Band of the Tonawandas, Williamsville, NY  
2013  American Legion Band of Greater Kansas City, Missouri, Post 21  
2014  None Awarded  
2015  None Awarded
GLEN R. HILLIS TROPHY

Description:

General: Bronze replica of Pro Patria mounted on a square base.

Inscription: “Pro Patria, the National Champion Color Guard of The American Legion. Presented by Glen R. Hillis, Department of Indiana.

Presented By:

National Headquarters, The American Legion, National Commander.

Authority:


Note: Recipients received this award prior to it becoming an official award in 1953.

How Awarded:

To be awarded annually to that color guard winning first place in competition with all other color guards during the annual National Convention of The American Legion.

Conditions:

1. By action of the National Executive Committee, April 29 – May 1, 1953, the original trophy is to remain at National Headquarters, and a suitable laminated plaque containing a photograph of the trophy will be awarded to and retained by the winning department. Announcement of the award is to be made at each National Convention.

2. The Glen R. Hillis Trophy is to be awarded annually to that color guard winning first place in competition with all other color guards during the annual National Convention of The American Legion.

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GLEN R. HILLIS TROPHY RECIPIENTS (continued)

1990  The Rifles Senior Color Guard, Post 6,
      Springfield, OH
1991  Highland Guard Color Guard, Post 201,
      Louisville, KY
1992  Pure Heaven Color Guard, Unit 37, Ames, IA
1993  Speedway Post 500 Honor Guard, Speedway, IN
1994  Speedway Post 500 Honor Guard, Speedway, IN
1995  Speedway Post 500 Honor Guard, Speedway, IN
1996  Speedway Post 500 Honor Guard, Speedway, IN
1997  Speedway Post 500 Honor Guard, Speedway, IN
1998  Speedway Post 500 Honor Guard, Speedway, IN
1999  Henderson-Smith-Edmonds Post 86, Rockville, MD
2000  Henderson-Smith-Edmonds Post 86, Rockville, MD
2001  Henderson-Smith-Edmonds Post 86, Rockville, MD
2002  Henderson-Smith-Edmonds Post 86, Rockville, MD
2003  Henderson-Smith-Edmonds Post 86, Rockville, MD
2004  2nd District, Portage, IN
2005  2nd District, Portage, IN
2006  Whiteman-Davidson Post 49, Tilton, NH
2007  Whiteman-Davidson Post 49, Tilton, NH
2008  Whiteman-Davidson Post 49, Tilton, NH
2009  Harrisburg Post 472, Houston, TX
2010  Harrisburg Post 472, Houston, TX
2011  Harrisburg Post 472, Houston, TX
2012  Harrisburg Post 472, Houston, TX
2013  Harrisburg Post 472, Houston, TX
2014  Harrisburg Post 472, Houston, TX
2015  Harrisburg Post 472, Houston, TX
THE LEMUEL BOLLES TROPHY

Description:

General: Silver-plated trophy cup, pedestal type, with music lyre mounted on top piece.

Inscription: “The Lemuel Bolles Trophy, awarded annually to that band winning first place in competition with all other bands during the annual National Convention of The American Legion.”

Presented By:

National Headquarters, The American Legion, National Commander.

Authority:

January 1928 report of Subcommittee on National Trophies and Awards.

How Awarded:

To be awarded annually to that band winning first place in competition with all other bands during the annual National Convention of The American Legion.

Conditions:

1. By action of the National Executive Committee, April 29 – May 1, 1953, the original trophy is to remain at National Headquarters and a suitable laminated plaque containing a photograph of the trophy will be awarded to and retained by the winning department. Announcement of the award is to be made at each National Convention.

2. Said trophy to be awarded annually to that band winning first place in competition with all other bands during the annual National Convention of The American Legion.

Recipients:

1927 Monahan Post Band, Sioux City, IA
1928 Thomas Hopkins Post Band 4, Wichita, KS
1929 Electric Post 228, Milwaukee, WI
1930 Electric Post 228, Milwaukee, WI
1931 Electric Post 228, Milwaukee, WI
1932 Chicago Board of Trade Post 304, Chicago, IL
1933 Blatz Post 373, Milwaukee, WI
1934 Franklin Post 1, Columbus, OH
1935 Chicago Board of Trade Post 304, Chicago, IL
1936 Musicians Post 394, St. Louis, MO
1937 Musicians Post 394, St. Louis, MO
1938 Zane-Irwin Post 93, San Francisco, CA
1940 Monahan Post Band, Sioux City, IA
1941 Musicians Post 662, Chicago, IL
1942 None Awarded
1943 None Awarded
1944 None Awarded
1945 None Awarded
1946 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1947 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1948 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1949 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1950 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1951 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1952 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1953 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1954 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1955 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1956 Olympia Post 3, Olympia, WA
1957 Charles H. Carey Post 56, Salem, OH
1958 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
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1969 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1970 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1971 Joliet Legion Band, Post 1284, Joliet, IL
1972 Tonawandas Post 264, Tonawanda, NY
THE LEMUEL BOLLES TROPHY RECIPIENTS (continued)

1973  None Awarded
1974  Joliet Legion Band, Post 1284, Joliet, IL
1975  Joliet Legion Band, Post 1284, Joliet, IL
1976  None Awarded
1977  Oconomowoc American Legion Band, Post 91, Oconomowoc, WI
1978  Joliet Legion Band, Post 1284, Joliet, IL
1979  Joliet Legion Band, Post 1284, Joliet, IL
1980  Joliet Legion Band, Post 1284, Joliet, IL
1981  None Awarded
1982  Joliet Legion Band, Post 1284, Joliet, IL
1983  Kansas City American Legion Band, City Central Executive Committee, Post of Kansas City and the 5th District, Kansas City, MO
1984  None Awarded
1985  Joliet Legion Band, Post 1284, Joliet, IL
1986  American Legion Band of the Tonawandas Post 264, Tonawanda, NY
1987  American Legion Band of the Stephen Sikora Post 1322, North Tonawanda, NY
1988  American Legion Band of the Tonawandas Post 264, Tonawanda, NY
1989  American Legion Band of the Tonawandas Post 264, Tonawanda, NY
1990  American Legion Band of the Tonawandas Post 264, Tonawanda, NY
1991  Oconomowoc American Legion Band, Post 91, Oconomowoc, WI
1992  Joliet Legion Band, Post 1284, Joliet, IL
1993  American Legion Band of the Tonawandas Post 264, Tonawanda, NY
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2003  Joliet Legion Band, Post 1080, Joliet, IL
2004  American Legion Band of the Tonawandas Post 264, Tonawanda, NY
2005  The Kansas City American Legion Band, Kansas City, MO
2006  St. Josephs Park Post 1080, Joliet, IL
2007  St. Josephs Park Post 1080, Joliet, IL
2008  American Legion Band of the Tonawandas Post 264, Williamsville, NY
2009  American Legion Band of the Tonawandas Post 264, Williamsville, NY
2010  American Legion Band of the Tonawandas Post 264, Williamsville, NY
2011  American Legion Band of the Tonawandas Post 264, Williamsville, NY
2012  None Awarded
2013  American Legion Band of Greater Kansas City, Missouri, Post 21
2014  None Awarded
2015  None Awarded
WILLIAM F. LENKER NATIONAL SERVICE TROPHY

**Description:**

*General:* Large silver shield mounted on wood wall plaque.

*Inscription:* “William F. Lenker National Service Trophy, Annual Departmental Award for Services Rendered Veterans of the World War”.

**Presented By:**

Electric Post No. 228, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

**Authority:**

October 7, 1928 report of the Subcommittee on Trophies and Awards; Resolution No. 20, National Executive Committee, May 1-2, 1968; Resolution No. 4, National Executive Committee, October 17-18, 1990.

**How Awarded:**

To be awarded annually to that department of The American Legion excelling in welfare and rehabilitation work for war veterans and their dependents, providing, that the membership of that department shall be no less than 80 per cent of the preceding year.

**Conditions:**

1. By action of the National Executive Committee, April 29 – May 1, 1953, the original trophy is to remain at National Headquarters and a suitable laminated plaque containing a photograph of the trophy will be awarded to and retained by the winning department. Announcement of the award is to be made at each National Convention and the winning departments shall be formally advised by a letter from the National Commander.
2. Said trophy to be awarded annually to that department of The American Legion excelling in welfare work for war veterans, providing the membership of that department shall be no less than 80% of the membership of the preceding year. The National Commander shall appoint a committee of three to act as judges. This committee shall consist of the National Chairman of Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Commission, together with any other two the National Commander sees fit to designate.

Departments competing for this trophy shall present to The American Legion, National VA&R Division, 1608 K Street NW, Washington, DC 20001 the completed “Statement of Rehabilitation Activities” questionnaire which the National Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Commission shall furnish each department annually. The completed questionnaire must be duly certified by the department commander and adjutant and received no later than July 15th of said year.
3. Membership of department used in the calculation above referred to is to be taken from the books of the National Treasurer on the last day of the preceding year.

**Recipients:**

- 1929 Wisconsin
- 1930 Minnesota
- 1931 Illinois
- 1932 Illinois
- 1933 Iowa
- 1934 Illinois
- 1935 California
- 1936 California
- 1937 Wisconsin
- 1938 Illinois
- 1939 Wisconsin
- 1940 Illinois
- 1941 Illinois
- 1942 Illinois
- 1943 Wisconsin
- 1944 Wisconsin
- 1945 Wisconsin
- 1946 Illinois
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- 1948 Ohio
- 1949 Illinois
- 1950 California
- 1951 Wisconsin
- 1952 Kansas
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2002 Minnesota
2003 North Dakota
2004 Ohio
2005 Virginia
2006 Idaho
2007 Minnesota
2008 Idaho
2009 Minnesota
2010 Wisconsin
2011 Michigan
2012 Florida
2013 Michigan
2014 Minnesota
2015 Ohio
APPENDIX

OTHER OFFICIAL AND UNOFFICIAL TROPHIES AND AWARDS

CERTIFICATES OF COMMENDATION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND FIREFIGHTERS

These certificates, authorized by Resolution No. 13, NEC, May 6-7, 1970, are administered within the various departments.

In addition to the trophies and awards listed in detail in this manual, there are official and unofficial trophies, awards, citations, certificates and other types of recognition presented in honor of achievement within the various program and activity areas of The American Legion. Such recognition is made in areas that include, but are not necessarily limited to:

- American Legion Baseball
- American Legion Membership
- American Legion Uniformed Groups
- American Legion Legislative Program
- American Legion Blood Donor Program
- American Legion Children & Youth Program
- American Legion Economic (Employment) Program
- American Legion Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Program
- American Legion National Security & Foreign Relations Program

Recipients of such types of recognition are reported to the National Executive Committee by the National Commission or Committee within whose purview they reside.

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