

The Francis M. Redington Sportsmanship Award

The Francis M. Redington Sportsmanship Award was established in May 2005. Francis M. Redington was a dedicated Legionnaire who fully supported The American Legion's Americanism programs. He worked tirelessly in support of The American Legion Junior Shooting Program, which was his first love. Francis loyally and faithfully served for twelve years as a Deputy Range Officer on the Junior Air Rifle National Championship staff until his passing in 2003.

Through his personal dedication and commitment to the Junior Shooting Sports Program, Francis devoted countless hours, often contributing of his own resources to ensure equipment was maintained and materials were available to program and national championship tournament participants. Francis' can-do spirit and positive words of encouragement ensured that all Junior Air Rifle National Championship athletes had the opportunity to learn and appreciate sportsmanship and fair play.

The National Americanism Commission is 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.

2005

Matthew Pueppke
Amenia, North Dakota
Buffalo Sharpshooters
Dokken & Schroeder Post 223

2006

Christina Dutra
Grampian, Pennsylvania
DuBois Rifle and Pistol Club
DuBois Post 17

2007

Kaitlyn Martin
Peralta, New Mexico
Valencia County 4-H Shooting Sports
Post 85

2008

James Keith
Albuquerque, New Mexico
LaCueva H.S. Marine Corps JROTC
Post 49

2009

Courtney Bates
Geneva, Florida

&

Shayna Thompson
Mims, Florida

Oviedo High School NJROTC
Post 112