TROPHIES AND AWARDS SPONSORED BY
THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF THE AMERICAN LEGION
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 National Trophies, Awards and Ceremonials Committee.

Recommendations of The American Legion Trophies, Awards and Ceremonials Committee are submitted to the National 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 Trophies, Awards and Ceremonials Committee 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.

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

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

- 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)
- Old name: William Randolph Hearst Americanism Trophy
  New name: Daniel J. O’Connor Americanism Trophy (NEC Resolution No. 1, August 29, 2011, Pre-Convention)
- 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)
- Old name: Employment Service Award
- New name: National Employment Service Award (NEC Resolution No. 12, October 12-13, 2011)
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 Trophies, Awards and Ceremonials 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 Trophies, Awards and Ceremonials Committee 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 Trophies, Awards and Ceremonials Committee 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 Foch of France
1921 Admiral Beatty of Great Britain
1921 General Baron Jacques of Belgium
1921 General Diaz of Italy
1921 Charles Bertrand of France
1922 General John J. Pershing
1923 Admiral R. E. Coontz
1923 General Josef Haller of Poland
1926 Ignace Jan Paderewski of Poland
1927 Comte Francois Marie Robert DeJean of France
1928 Lord Allenby of Great Britain
1929 Judge Kenesaw M. Landis

(Prior to 1929 there were no established regulations)

1930 Admiral William S. Sims
1942 General Douglas MacArthur
1943 Admiral Ernest J. King
1943 General George C. Marshall
1944 General H. H. Arnold
1944 Henry Ford
1944* Frank Knox
1945* President Franklin D. Roosevelt
1945 Henry L. Stimson
THE AMERICAN LEGION DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL RECIPIENTS (continued)

*Awarded posthumously

1945* Ernest Taylor “Ernie” Pyle
1945 Admiral Chester Nimitz
1945 Brigadier General Theodore Roosevelt
1945 General Dwight D. Eisenhower
1946 William Randolph Hearst
1946 Bob Hope
1946 Major General Lewis B. Hershey
1946 J. Edgar Hoover
1946 Cordell Hull
1947 Chief Justice Fred M. Vinson
1947 Senator Edward Martin
1947 William S. Knudsen
1949 President Harry S. Truman
1949 George Herman (Babe) Ruth
1949* General Frank Parker
1950 Congresswoman Edith Nourse Rogers
1950 Major General Milton A. Reckord
1950 Charles F. Johnson, Jr.
1951 Major General Charles P. Summerall
1953* Royal C. Johnson
1954* Major General George A. White
1955 Major General Ellard A. Walsh
1956 Vice-Admiral Joel T. Boone
1956 Charles Steward Mott
1956 Bishop Fulton J. Sheen
1957 General Mark W. Clark
1958 Bernard M. Baruch
1958 Unknown serviceman of World War I, World War II, Korea interred at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and 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 H. C. Donlon
1967 Tom C. Clark
1968 President Lyndon B. Johnson
1968 General William C. Westmoreland
(See note under Authority)
1969 President Richard M. Nixon
1970 Congressman Olin E. Teague
1971* Senator Richard M. Nixon
1971* Congressman L. Brevard Russell, Jr.
1971* Congressman L. Mendel Rivers
1971 DeWitt Wallace
1971 Senator John C. Stennis
1972 None Awarded
1973 Henry F. Kissinger
1974 Congressman F. Edward Hebert
1975 Harry W. Colmery
1976 Pat O’Brien
1977 Howard A. Rusk, M.D.
1978 Bowie K. Kuhn
1979 Thomas A. Murphy
1980 President Gerald R. Ford
1980 Dead and Missing of the Vietnam War
1981 John W. Young
1981 Robert L. Crippen
1982 President Ronald W. Reagan
1983 Admiral Hyman G. Rickover
1984 Senator Strom Thurmond
1985 Caspar W. Weinberger
1986 None Awarded
1987 William H. Webster
1988 Douglas Edwards, CBS News Correspondent
1989 Howard H. Baker, Jr.
1990 Dr. Michael E. DeBakey
1991 President George H. W. Bush
1992 Dick Thornburgh
1993 General Colin Powell
1994 Walter H. Annenberg
1995 The “Enola Gay” Crew
1996 Congressman G. V. “Sonny” Montgomery
1997 Senator Robert J. Dole
1998 None Awarded
1999 Zachary Fisher
2000 Senator Orrin Grant Hatch
2001 General H. Hugh Shelton
2002 Congressman Robert Stump
2003 Dr. Jeanne M. Stellman
2003 Dr. Steven D. Stellman
2004 None Awarded
2005 General Richard B. Myers, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff
2006 Major General Patrick H. Brady, USA (Ret)
2007 Dr. Kenneth W. Kizer
2008 President George W. Bush
2009 General David H. Petraeus, Commander, United States Central Command
2010 Boy Scouts of America
2011 Congressman Thomas Chester “Chet” Edwards
**American Legion Baseball Graduate of the Year Award**

**Description:**

**General:** Walnut based trophy with four metal columns and baseball player figure mounted on a platformed 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 and Children & Youth Division to obtain and make available said award for presentation.
3. The award remains the property of the recipient.

**Recipients:**

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<th>Name</th>
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<td>Theodore Samuel Williams</td>
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<td>Robert Clinton Richardson</td>
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<td>Warren Edward Spahn</td>
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<td>Brooks Calbert Robinson</td>
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<td>Frank Robinson</td>
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<td>Carl Michael Yastrzemski</td>
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<td>Michael Steven (Mickey)</td>
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<td>Harmon Clayton</td>
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<td>Killebrew, Jr.</td>
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<td>1970</td>
<td>David Arthur McNally</td>
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<td>Steven Norman Carlton</td>
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<td>Albert William Kaline</td>
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<td>Johnny Lee Bench</td>
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<td>Robert James (Rick)</td>
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<td>David Mark Winfield</td>
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<td>Dale Murphy</td>
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<td>1987</td>
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<td>Roger Clemens</td>
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<td>Harold Reynolds</td>
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<td>Sidney Bream</td>
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<td>1993</td>
<td>Billy Swift</td>
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<td>Greg Maddux</td>
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<td>Luis Gonzales</td>
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<td>2003</td>
<td>Jeff Bagwell</td>
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<td>2004</td>
<td>Darin Erstad</td>
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<td>2005</td>
<td>Scott Rolen</td>
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<td>Jose Albert Pujols</td>
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<td>2007</td>
<td>Chris Carpenter</td>
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<td>2008</td>
<td>Justin Verlander</td>
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<td>2009</td>
<td>Lyle Overbay</td>
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<td>2010</td>
<td>Brandon Inge</td>
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<td>2011</td>
<td>Corey Hart</td>
<td>Milwaukee Brewers</td>
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<td>2012</td>
<td>Mark Ellis</td>
<td>Los Angeles, Dodgers</td>
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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 and Children & Youth 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, Moihiili 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 Klingenberg, 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 Chris Mason, Post 100, Cherryville, NC
2004 Ryan Reid, Outside Sponsor, Portland, ME
2005 Tyler Cheney, Post 34, Pasco, WA
2006 Robby Broach, Post 175, Metairie, LA
2007 Aaron Davidson, Post 298, Bryant, AR
2008 Cade Lynch, Post 21, Jolensboro, AR
2009 Matt Stites, Post 253, Festus, MO
2010 Kevin Hill, Post 170, Midwest City, OK
2011 Colton Loomis, Post 165, Midland, MI
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 and Children & Youth 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 Moiliili 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
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 and Children & Youth 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.

Recipients:

1970* Greg Dalton, Post 10, Wilmington, NC
1971 Rod Walton, Post 1, Phoenix, AZ
1972 Mike Murray, Post 611, Ballwin, MO
1973 Guillermo Bonilla, Post 146, Rio Piedras, PR
1974 Charles Johnson, Post 108, Cheverly, MD
1975 David Edler, Post 36, Yakima, WA
1976 Gus Malessin, Post 175, Metairie, LA
1977 Clifton Wenzel, Post 123, Santa Monica, CA
1978 Pete Kumiega, Post 420, Springfield, MA
1979 Juan Cruz, Post 36, Yakima, WA
1980 Howard Kapuniai, Moiliili Legion Baseball, Honolulu, HI
1981 Victor Garcia, Post 248, West Tampa, FL
1982 Ronald DeLucchi, Post 517, Lafayette, CA
1983 Renaldo “Chito” Martinez, Post 367, New Orleans, LA
1984 Will Vespe, Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ
1985 Mike MusoLino, Carmiichel Elks, Sacramento, CA
1986 Don Opperman, Las Vegas, NV
1987 Greg Blevens, Post 170, Midwest City, OK
1988 Scott Hughes, Post 507, Cincinnati, OH
1989 Carl McFadden, Post 826, Woodland Hills, CA
1990 Luis Rosaro, Post 48, Bayamon, PR
1991 Bob Pailthorpe, Post 837, Union City, CA
1993 Allen Layman, Post 88, Norman, OK
1994 Frank Hinojosa, Post 299, Chino, CA
1995 Bobby Morgan, Post 19, Columbia, TN
1996 Christian Bourgeois, Post 81, Gonzales, LA
1997 Brian Fachet, Post 15, Medford, OR
1998 Chris Wright, State College, PA
1999 Brian Paone, Post 513, New Brighton, MN
2000 Al Smith, Post 1, Omaha (Westside), NE
2001 Josh Burton, Post 13, Lewiston, ID
2002 Spencer Ingaldson, Rapid City, SD
2003 Andy Console, Haddon Heights, NJ
2004 Troy Peterson, Post 580, Eden Prairie, MN
2005 Zac Berg, Post 4, Enid, OK
2006 Brady Shoemaker, Post 346, Terre Haute, IN
2007 Aaron Tapia, Post 7, Tucson, AZ
2008 Max Garrett, Post 34, Pasco, WA
2009 Kyle O’Boyle, Post 165, Midland, MI
2010 Vince Ampi, Roseburg, OR
2011 Blake Schmit, Eden Prairie, MN
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 By:

Ford C. Frick, Commissioner of Baseball (1951-1965).

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, Carmichel 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
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 By:**

Past National Commander, Frank N. Belgrano, Jr.

**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 August 1 – 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 August 1 – 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
- 1990 Maryland
FRANK N. BELGRANO, JR. TROPHY RECIPIENTS (continued)

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
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 and Children & Youth 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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**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 By:**

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.

**Recipients:**

1928 California, Post 5, Oakland, CA  
1929 New York, Post 72, Saugerties, NY  
1930 Maryland, Post 81, Baltimore, MD  
1931 Illinois, Post 493, Chicago, IL  
1932 Louisiana, Post 134, New Orleans, LA  
1933 Illinois, Post 467, Chicago, IL  
1934 Maryland, Post 13, Cumberland, MD  
1935 North Carolina, Post 23, Gastonia, NC  
1936 South Carolina, Post 28, Spartanburg, SC  
1937 Massachusetts, Post 291, East Lynn, MA  
1938 California, Post 6, San Diego, CA  
1939 Nebraska, Post 1, Omaha, NE  
1940 North Carolina, Post 76, Albermarie, NC  
1941 California, Post 6, San Diego, CA  
1942 California, Post 357, Los Angeles, CA  
1943 Minnesota, Post 435, Minneapolis, MN  
1944 Ohio, Post 50, Cincinnati, OH  
1945 North Carolina, Post 82, Shelby, NC  
1946 Louisiana, Post 125, New Orleans, LA  
1947 Ohio, Post 50, Cincinnati, OH  
1948 New Jersey, Post 93, Trenton, NJ  
1949 California, Post 337, Oakland, CA  
1950 California, Post 337, Oakland, CA  
1951 California, Post 715, Los Angeles, CA  
1952 Ohio, Post 50, Cincinnati, OH  
1953 Washington, Post 36, Yakima, WA  
1954 California, Post 492, San Diego, CA  
1955 Ohio, Post 216, Cincinnati, OH  
1956 Missouri, Post 245, St. Louis, MO  
1957 Ohio, Post 50, Cincinnati, OH  
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1960 Louisiana, Post 125, New Orleans, LA  
1961 Arizona, Post 1, Phoenix, AZ  
1962 Missouri, Post 299, St. Louis, MO  
1963 California, Post 27, Long Beach, CA  
1964 California, Post 73, Upland, CA  
1965 North Carolina, Post 9, Charlotte, NC  
1966 California, Post 337, Oakland, CA  
1967 Alabama, Post 34, Tuscaloosa, AL  
1968 Tennessee, Post 1, Memphis, TN  
1969 Oregon, Post 109, Portland, OR  
1970 California, Post 790, West Covina, CA  
1971 California, Post 790, West Covina, CA  
1972 Missouri, Post 611, Ballwin, MO  
1973 Puerto Rico, Post 146, Rio Piedras, PR  
1974 Puerto Rico, Post 146, Rio Piedras, PR  
1975 Washington, Post 36, Yakima, WA  
1976 California, Post 123, Santa Monica, CA  
1977 Indiana, Post 50, South Bend, IN  
1978 Florida, Post 32, Hialeah, FL  
1979 Washington, Post 36, Yakima, WA  
1980 Hawaii, Moiliili Legion Baseball, Honolulu, HI (Outside Sponsor)  
1981 Florida, Post 248, West Tampa, FL  
1982 Pennsylvania, Post 471, Boyertown, PA  
1983 Minnesota, Post 471, Edina, MN  
1984 Puerto Rico, Post 134, Guaynabo, PR  
1985 Virginia, Post 86, Midlothian, VA  
1986 Florida, Post 126, Jensen Beach, FL  
1987 Pennsylvania, Post 471, Boyertown, PA  
1988 Ohio, Post 507, Cincinnati, OH  
1989 California, Post 826, Woodlands, CA  
1990 Maryland, Post 226, Mayo, MD  
1991 New Jersey, Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ  
1992 California, Newbury Park Oaks, Newbury Park, CA (Outside Sponsor)  
1993 South Dakota, Post 22, Rapid City, SD
THE HOWARD P. SAVAGE, JUNIOR TROPHY RECIPIENTS (continued)

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)
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 and Children & Youth 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

1981 Manager: Frank Permuy, Sr., Post 248, W. Tampa, FL
Coach: Frank Permuy, Jr.

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: Willfredo Trinidad

1991 Manager: Joe Barth, Sr., Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ
Coach: Joe Barth, Jr.

Coach: Wayne Smith

1993 Manager: Dave Plowf, Post 22, Rapid City, SD
Coaches: Steve Wolff and Carl Stonecipher

1994 Manager: Carlos Hernandez, Sr., Post 346, Miami, FL
Coach: Carlos Hernandez, Jr.

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 Porter, 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)
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 and Children & Youth 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 (*See note under Authority*)
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 McGuffigan, 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
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, Puuoloa 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 Belluzio, 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 Broeker, 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 Team:** Du Bois Rifle and Pistol Club, Post 17, Du Bois, PA – Michael Kulbacki, Justin Pentz, Kyle Smith and Kyle Yebermetsky  
**Precision Individual:** Michael Kulbacki, Du Bois Rifle and Pistol Club, Post 17, Du Bois, PA  
**Sporter Team:** Homestead 4-H Shooting Club, Post 27, Beatrice, NE – Cole Bures, Micaela Jochum, Alex Niefeldt and Alyssa Wolken  
**Sporter Individual:** Micaela Jochum, Homestead 4-H Shooting Club, Post 27, Beatrice, NE

2007  **Precision Team:** Du Bois Rifle and Pistol Club, Post 17, Du Bois, PA – Aaron Holsopple, Michael Kulbacki, Justin Pentz and Kyle Smith  
**Precision Individual:** Ethan Settlemires, Cross Roads Sport Shooting, Post 6, Cross Roads Sport Shooting, Post 6, Corinth, MS  
**Sporter Team:** R.L. Paschal High School JROTC, Post 569, Fort Worth, TX – Amanda Aguilera, Xentri Garza, Dean Harmon and Daniel Hilario, Jr.  
**Sporter Individual:** Micaela Jochum, Homestead 4-H Shooting Club, Post 27, Beatrice, NE

2008  **Precision Team:** Capitol City Junior Rifle Club, Post 2, Tacoma, WA – Brandon Hergert, Daniel Lowe, Josh Pagel and Kyle Rebillion  
**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  
**Sporter Individual:** Kelsea Hunt, Ozark High School JROTC, Post 639, Springfield, MO

2009  **Precision Team:** Lincoln Rifle Club, Post 264, Lincoln, CA – Jacob Carrillo, Dustin McQueary, Brett Morrison and Kaitlin Pennell  
**Precision Individual:** Kaitlin Pennell, Lincoln Rifle Club, Post 264, Lincoln, CA  
**Sporter Team:** Lafayette Gun Club of Virginia “White”, Post 273, Poquoson, VA – Hannah Black, Joshua Black, Matthew Brewer and Thomas Wheeless  
**Sporter Individual:** William Eades, III, C.E. Byrd High School JROTC, Post 6, Shreveport, LA

2010  **Precision Team:** Arlington Optimist Acorns, Post 177, Fairfax, VA – Ryan Anderson, Evelyn Holman, Cammille Lathbury and Morgan Lluy  
**Precision Individual:** Matthew Martin, Borealis Bullseyes, Post 28, Anchorage, AK  
**Sporter Team:** Lafayette Gun Club of Virginia “White”, Post 273, Poquoson, VA – Hannah Black, Joshua Black, Matthew Brewer and Thomas Wheeless  
**Precision Individual:** Hannah Weatherford, North Little Rock High School JROTC, Post 40, North Little Rock, AR
LOUISVILLE SLUGGER TROPHY

Description:

General: Walnut plaque with metal plate for appropriate inscription.

Inscription: Louisville Slugger Trophy presented to (name of recipient) By Hillerich & Bradsby Company. Year ____________.

Presented By:

Hillerich & Bradsby Company.

Authority:

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

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 and Children & Youth 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 Hergenrader, 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. Kauerz, 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. Wolff, 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  Bobby Jones, Carmichel Elks, Sacramento, CA
1987  Mitch Hannans, Post 66, Maynard, OH
1988  Brad Dolejsi, Post 170, Midwest City, OK
1989  Scott Hughes, Post 507, Cincinnati, OH
1990  Del Marine, Post 826, Woodland Hills, CA
1991  Brett O’Dez, Post 226, Mayo, MD
1992  Bob Paiithorp, Post 837, Union City, CA
1993  Ryan Merritt, Post 22, Rapid City, SD
1994  Bob Barth, Jr., Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ
1995  Dave Beekman, Post 149, Haddon Heights, NJ
1996  John Hebert, Post 176, Vancouver, WA
1997  Nate Philo, Post 15, Medford, OR
1998  Chad Opel, Post 199, Edwardsville, IL
1999  Kenny Judd, Post 111, Edmond, OK
2000  Matt Ryan, Post 72, Brooklawn, NJ
2001  Richard Chinn, Post 246, Canville, CA
2002  Josh Sowell, Post 12, Dothan, AL
2003  Andy Console, Post 149, Haddon Heights, NJ
2004  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
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 By:

Past National Commander, Ralph T. O’Neil.

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:

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**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) Rawlings Big Stick Award, Presented to (name of recipient), by Rawlings Sporting Goods Co.”

**Presented By:**

Rawlings Sporting Goods, St. Louis, Missouri.

**Authority:**

NEC Resolution No. 18, May 3, 1972.

**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:**

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<td>Nate Philo, Post 15, Medford, OR</td>
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<td>Ralph Roberts, Post 100, Cherryville, NC</td>
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<td>Brian Paone, Post 513, New Brighton, MN</td>
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<td>Steve Marquartd, Post 34, Kennewick, WA</td>
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<td>Max Garrett, Post 34, Pasco, WA</td>
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<td>Kyle O’Boyle, Post 165, Midland, MI</td>
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<td>Matt Halloran, Eden Prairie, MN (Dept Sponsor)</td>
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<td>Tony Skjefte, Eden Prairie, MN (Dept Sponsor)</td>
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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 By:

Past National Commander, Edward E. Spafford.

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 Arkansas – Jack McNees, North Little Rock, AR
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 Colorado – Dean Clancy, Denver, CO
1983 Illinois – William Kephart, Jr., Chillicothe, IL
1984 Virginia – Keith Zinch, Blacksburg, VA
1985 Pennsylvania – Arthur Jordan, Pittsburgh, PA
1986 Wisconsin – Gwen Connolly, Cedarburg, WI
1987 Iowa – Jennifer J. Demmon, Marshalltown, IA
1988 Massachusetts – Mary Agnes Barbier, West Quincy, MA
1989 Maryland – Philip Paliath, Baltimore, MD
1990 Maryland – Martin Kelly, Jr., Hydes, MD
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
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 Sportmanship Award”.

Presented By:


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 Sportmanship Award.
2. The Americanism Commission be authorized to annually present the “Francis M. Redington Sportmanship 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:

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

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
**Description:**

A large gold plated trophy.

**Presented By:**

The Honorable Daniel J. O’Connor.

**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
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- 1951 Pennsylvania
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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 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.

Recipient:

2003 None Awarded


2006 Joe Sincere, 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 MozaI, Michael Montemorano, Kemper Dadisman, Paul Loefke, Stanley Weinstein, Bernard Flatow, Joseph Quaderer, Ted Holz, III, Charles Hulse, Wesley Elder, John Garvey,
THE AMERICAN LEGION AND SCOUTING “SQUARE KNOT” AWARD RECIPIENTS (continued)

2006


2007
2008

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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, including the promotion of “NEED A LIFT?”.
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”
THE AMERICAN LEGION NATIONAL EDUCATION AWARD RECIPIENTS (continued)

2010  None Awarded
2011  Michael Peterson, Nashville, TN
**THE AMERICAN LEGION CANADIAN FRIENDSHIP AWARD**

**Description:**

*General:* Imprinted citation and medal.

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

**Presented By:**

National Headquarters, The American Legion, National Trophies, Awards and Ceremonials Committee.

**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 National Trophies, Awards and Ceremonials Committee 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 National Trophies, Awards and Ceremonials Committee and the National Executive Committee, 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 Trophies, Awards and Ceremonials Committee 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 National Trophies, Awards and Ceremonials Committee is charged with the administration of this award.

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1978  Leopold Sylvain, Mary J. Tait, Mrs. Alexandria Wallner
1979  Dennis Joseph Patrick Phillips, Tom Graham, Joseph Lacasse, Rupert V. McCabe
1983  Charles James Brechin, Richard Kirby, R. Norman McLaren, Donald Pirie, Ivan Spate, Walter Williams, Roderick G. Winter
1987  Frederick T. Appleby, Tom Reynolds, Harold George Bowles, James E. Buffam
1991  Jack Bridges, Sandy Butler, Glenn Canning, Kenneth Clinton Fulford, Frank Helden, Peter Landy, Cecil Magrath, Ernie Noyse
THE AMERICAN LEGION CANADIAN FRIENDSHIP AWARD RECIPIENTS (continued)

1993  William J. “Bud” Blackwell, Michael Carroll, Douglas C. Green, Hugh Greene, James Robert
       “Bob” Menzies, Henry Myers, James Allen Pringle, Harry Pugh
       Hachey, Gorden Kelly, Earl Russell Neary, Douglas John Ritchie, Albert Sercerchi
1995  Norman H. Baildham, Barton, Gerlad Belanger, Terry Buchanan, Brent G. Burns, Robert carslaw,
       Norah Fyfe, Bernard Halstead, Albert Himes, Oneisme Lanteigne, Douglas J. Loukes, John
       William Newman, Robert C. Simser
       Crowshaw, Andrew Dowling, Kenneth A. Eccles, Donald E. Faulkner, Donald J. Forbes, Peter
       Fothergill, Les Gerrow, Janice Grant, Al Irons, Malcolm L. Knowlton, Bev Kuhn, Floyd Lavallee,
       Gerald Leaman, William MacLellan, Lois M. Mathews, Charles MacDonald, David W. McKay,
       Keith Monette, William H. Nickel, Jean Nordin, Gilbert I. Paul, E. Alexa
       rter, Robert Spence, Pat Tracey, Robert A. Walker, Leslie J. Wheatley,
       William Wonnacott, Lester Wheeler
1997  Jim Allan, Robert B. Bird, Emilie Corbin, Edgar P.
       Cyr, Henry Watkins Groves, John R. “Reg”
       Lovett, Raymond J. Martin, George Stanley
       Riches, Pete Teichrob
1998  Robert Adamson, Glen Belsher, Wayne Bourget,
       Duncan Cameron, Leonard Carpenter, Sr.,
       Kenneth Guy Clark, Cedric Cormier, Arthur K.
       Erskine, Martin Forrest, Louis Gallant, John
       Goertzen, Sharon Goshko, Scott T. Hadley,
       William Hamlin, H. Warren Hennigar, Lyndon
       Hove, Fiona Jasper, Albert Johnon, Paul
       Lamourex, Charles Quon, James Mackey, Roger
       Mallette, Donald Mann, Reverend Canon Tom
       McKeith, Dean Potter, William “Bill” Smith,
       Michael Terry, Kay Thibault, Irwin Toews,
       William Wonnacott, Lester Wheeler
1999  Allan Babcock, Donald L. Gallant, Roderick K.
       Johnston, Roger Ouellette, Ronald Rivard,
       Thomas Arthur Snell, Boyd Story
2000  Robert Arbeau, Lorne Aube, John “Mike”
       Boycott, Richard “Dick” Brad, Archie Cairns,
       Kevin Davidson, Pat Embleton, Shirlie Gaitens,
       Theresa Lovell, Neil McKinnon, Alfred Charles
       Knight, John Mead, R. A. “Bob” Mooney, Thomas
       Munro, Pat Poirier, Glenn Robertson, Joseph
       Rodriguez, Gilbert R. Saucy, J. R. “Bud”
       Stevenson, Edward Paycheck, John Thibault,
       Byrne Turner, Rick Wallington, Norman
       Williams, Joe Woodchuck
2001  Victor Clifford, Cuthbert Jackson Diamond, Don McAlister

2002  Gordon Ashton, Shirley Aucoin, Richard Baker,
       William Calvert, Charles Carroll, William H.
       Childress, Jim Eaton, Alan Egan, Bob Greenhall,
       Charles Gordon, Kenneth Henderson, Karl Krause,
       L. A. “Bert” Lafond, F. S. Sterling McMillan,
       Willlie A. Michaud, Carol Nolan, Andrew Perrie,
       Edward Pyley, Cy Poole, Gordon Pope, Elinor
       Radcliffe, Syd Stamper, Thomas Whitfield,
       Robert Young
2003  Walter Crummell, Bob Gray, Mrs. Erefda Hesketh
2004  Steve Ackerman, Charles Albers, Shirley
       Aldridge, Leo Barron, George Beauleiu, Ruth
       Bond, Norman Briscoe, Roger Chabot, Edward
       Emerick, Keith Flight, Rhea Francofur, John
       Henderson, Paul Hooper, George Jarvis, Robert
       Jones, John H. MacDonald, Sr., Beverley 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 Huietma, Edith Bourgoin
2007  Harvey Shevalier, Don Wood, Omer “Turk” Brunet
2008  John Henderson, John Angliss, Bill Green, Al
       Ouellette, Rick Tait, Alfred Christensen, Marjoire
       Campbell, Paul Tkachuk, Earle H. King, John
       Gaetan, Ronald G. Smith, Bill Sutherland, John D.
       Gillis, Lorry Landry, Hank Penner, Roy
       Breitkreuz, Robert Horkoff, Louis Mazur, Jean
       Olafsen, Thomas Wallace, Peter Goodin, Jean
       Pierre Lefort, Sterling Grant
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 Stasuk
DEPARTMENT AWARD FOR 100% POST CHILDREN & YOUTH REPORTING

Description:

A certificate signed by the National Commander, National Adjutant, National Children & Youth Chairman and Division Director.

Presented By:

National Headquarters, The American Legion, National Commission on Children & Youth.

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
2002 None Awarded
DEPARTMENT AWARD FOR 100% POST CHILDREN & YOUTH REPORTING RECIPIENTS (continued)

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
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 National Economic Commission, said nominations to be accompanied by documentation of employer’s achievements in hiring veterans.
3. The National Economic 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, Elkton, MD
1973  Category I – Noyes Tire Company, Westbrook, ME
       Category II – Southern Guard Service, Inc., Youngstown, OH
       Category II – Fleischmann Distilling Corporation, Owensboro, KY
       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 – Deleece 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
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<td>Owens-Illinois, Inc.</td>
<td>Television Products Division, Pittstown, PA</td>
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<td>Corning Glass Works</td>
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<td>Lockheed Aeromod Center, Inc.</td>
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<td>UNC Support Service, Helicopter Maintenance Project</td>
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<td>Category I</td>
<td>Rifle Barrel Manufacturing, Sturm, Ruger and Company, Inc.</td>
<td>Newport, NH</td>
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<td>Bath Iron Works, Corp.</td>
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<td>Comcar Industries, Inc.</td>
<td>Auburndale, FL</td>
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<td>Lear Seigler Services, Inc.</td>
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<td>Georgia-Pacific Plywood</td>
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<td>Basic Water Company</td>
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<td>Johns Manville, Defiance, OH</td>
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<td>2007</td>
<td>Category I</td>
<td>CSX Transportation</td>
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<td>2008</td>
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<td>Lear Siegler (LSI) EG&amp;G Division</td>
<td>New Boston, TX</td>
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<td>2009</td>
<td>Category I</td>
<td>BNSF Railway Company</td>
<td>Fort Worth, TX</td>
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<td>2010</td>
<td>Category I</td>
<td>Eagles Systems and Services, LLC</td>
<td>Lawton, OK</td>
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<td>Reported at 2012 National Convention</td>
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For Category II and Category III, please refer to the respective years in the list above.
**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 National Economic Commission; said nomination 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 National Economic 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
NATIONAL EMPLOYMENT SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS (continued)

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 – Reported at the 2012 National Convention
       DVOP – Reported at the 2012 National Convention
       ES – Reported at the 2012 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 National Economic 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 National Economic 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 National Economic 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.

**Recipients:**

1990  Post 6, San Diego, CA  
      Post 78, Milton, FL  
      Post 371, Wellston, OH  
      Post 1052, Chicago, IL  
      Post 526, Fairborn, OH  
      Post 45, Hartville, MI
1991  Post 176, Springfield, VA  
      Post 135, Cookeville, TN  
      Post 78, Milton, FL
1992  Post 78, Milton, FL  
      Post 41, Syracuse, NY
1993  Post 17, Gallatin, TN  
      Post 6, San Diego, CA  
      Post 396, Geneva, NY
1994  Post 12, Yankton, SD  
      Post 70, Oshkosh, WI  
      Post 129, Toms River, NJ
1995  Post 17, Gallatin, TN  
      Post 144, Williston, NY  
      Post 74, Saint Edward, NE
1996  Post 325, Danville, VA
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  Reported at the 2012 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.

Recipients:

2006  Columbus Hospice, Columbus, GA
2007  Holophane Company, Newark, OH
2008  Maule Air, Inc., Moultrie, GA
2009  Allen Corporation of American, Inc., Fairfax, VA

2010  Point Security Company, Inc. Youngwood, PA
(See note under Authority)
2011  Point Security Company, Inc., Youngwood, PA
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
1956 Type I – Tennessee
1952 Type II – No Entries
1956 Type II – North Carolina
1960 Type I – Florida
1964 No eligible entries (1 entered – no winners)
1969 Type I – Montana
1974 Type I – Minnesota
1974 Type II – Maryland
1974 Type II – Florida
1975 – 1978 None Awarded
1979 Narrative – Wisconsin
1984 Narrative – Virginia
1984 Yearbook – Minnesota
1985 Narrative – Florida
1985 Yearbook – Kentucky
1985 Yearbook – Wisconsin
1986 Narrative – Florida
1986 Yearbook – Florida
1987 Narrative – Florida
1987 Yearbook – Wisconsin
1988 Narrative – Florida
1988 Yearbook – Florida
1989 Narrative – Montana
1989 Yearbook – Wisconsin
1990 Narrative – Vermont
1990 Yearbook – Wisconsin
1991  Narrative – Vermont
       Yearbook – Wisconsin
1992  Narrative – North Carolina
       Yearbook – Texas
1993  Narrative – North Carolina
       Yearbook – Wisconsin
1994  Narrative – Georgia
       Yearbook – Wisconsin
1995  Narrative – North Carolina
       Yearbook – Hawaii
1996  Narrative – North Carolina
       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
2002  Narrative – South Dakota
       Yearbook – South Dakota
2003  Narrative – South Dakota
       Yearbook – Ohio
2004  Narrative – South Dakota
       Yearbook – Washington
2005  Narrative – South Dakota
       Yearbook – New Mexico
2006  Narrative – Texas
       Yearbook – Wisconsin
2007  Narrative – South Dakota
       Yearbook – Ohio
2008  Narrative – Wisconsin
       Yearbook – Ohio
2009  Narrative – South Dakota
       Yearbook – Florida
2010  Narrative – North Carolina
       Yearbook – Ohio
2011  Narrative – North Carolina
       Yearbook – Ohio
NATIONAL POST HISTORY CONTEST AWARDS

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 1969 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, IL
1943  Walter L. Bennett Post 71, Lamar, CO
1945  Gary Memorial Post 17, Gary, IN
1946  Murray-Troutt Post 262, Audubon, NJ
1947  Elmhurst-Jackson Heights Post 298, Elmhurst, NY
1949  Type I – Huff-Minor Post 14, Ponca City, OK
       Type II – South Fort Worth Post 569, Ft Worth, TX
1950  Type I – Crosscup-Pishon Post 281, Boston, MA
       Type II – Vining-Goodman Post 501, Macon, GA
1951  Type I – John Low-Joe Smartt Post 53, Dallas, TX
       Type II – Latin-American Post 495, Dallas, TX
1953  Type I – William Minter Batjer Post 100, Rogers, AR
       Type II – No eligible entries
1954  Type I – Elmhurst-Jackson Heights Post 298, Elmhurst, NY
       Type II – No eligible entries
1955  Type I – McDonough County Post 6, Macomb, IL
       Type II – Fifield Post 532, Fifield, WI
1957  Type I – Lombard Post 391, Lombard, IL
       Type II – Grant-Staples Post 216, Brooks, ME
1958  Type I – Jane A. Delano Post 344, New York, NY
       Type II – None Awarded
1959  Type I – Joseph M. Neel, Jr. Post 3, Macon, GA
       Type II – Stolley-Anderson Post 1022, Chicago, IL
1961  Type I – Otto Hendrickson Post 212, Park Rapids, MN
       Type II – Arthur Leonard Johnson, Jr. Post 172, Warner Robbins, GA
NATIONAL POST HISTORY CONTEST AWARD RECIPIENTS (continued)

1962 Type I – Wayne G. Austin Post 2, Newton, KS
Type II – No eligible entries
1963 Type I – Lyle-Brester Post 50, College Park, GA
Type II – Churchmens Post 235, San Antonio, TX
1965 Type I – Cedar Falls Post 2347, Cedar Falls, IA
Type II – Desert Hot Springs Post 763, Desert Hot Springs, CA
1966 Type I – Lombard Post 391, Lombard, IL
Type II – Churchmens Post 235, San Antonio, TX
1967 Type I – Vogel-Lee Post 147, Lake Worth, FL
Type II – Churchmens Post 235, San Antonio, TX
1968 Type I – David Wisted-Zenith City Post 28, Duluth, MN
Type II – Churchmens Post 235, San Antonio, TX
1969 Type I – USS Jacob Jones Post 2, Washington, DC
Type II – Gardiner Post 188, Gardiner, MT
1970 Type I – Ballard Post 3, La Center, KY
Type II – Churchmens Post 235, San Antonio, TX
1971 Type I – Tampa Women’s Post 134, Tampa, FL
Type II – Churchmens Post 235, San Antonio, TX
1972 Type I – Ballard Post 3, La Center, KY
Type II – None Awarded
1973 Clifton Post 227, Clifton, KS
1974 Scherer Post 493, Jackson Center, OH
1975 Fort Loramie Post 355, Fort Loramie, OH
1976 Jacob Coppus Post 258, Little Chute, WI
Bicentennial Scrapbook – Tirey J. Ford Post 21, Independence, MO
1977 History – Minneapolis-Richfield Post 435, Minneapolis, MN
Scrapbook – Luke-Greenway Post 1, Phoenix, AZ
1978 History – Frank Freese Post 66, Edmonds, WA
Scrapbook – Massapequa Post 1066, Massapequa, NY
1980 District/County Narrative - Oklahoma, District 5-A
District/County Scrapbook – California, 2nd District
1981 Narrative – Women’s Post 118, Norfolk, VA
Scrapbook – Women’s Post 118, Norfolk, VA
1982 Narrative – Massapequa Post 1066, Massapequa, NY
Scrapbook – Montgomery Post 2, Montgomery, AL
1983 Narrative – Roger-Hinson Post 235, Fort Walton Beach, FL
1985 Narrative – Frank Jarman Post 36, Chestertown, MD
Scrapbook – Paul E. Bolding Post 7, Gainesville, GA
1986 Narrative – Jane A. Delano Post 122, St. Petersburg, FL
Scrapbook – Sioux Falls Post 15, Sioux Falls, SD
1987 Narrative – No-Vel Post 159, Venice, FL
Scrapbook – Young American Post 286, Newport News, VA
1988 Narrative – Antietam Post 236, Sharpsburg, MD
Scrapbook – Frierson-Nichols Post 8, Winterhaven, FL
1989 Narrative – Highby-Oglan-Soerens Post 345, Hingham, WI
Scrapbook – Huntington Post 16, Huntington, WV
1990 Narrative – H.W. Daniels Post 29, Wilkins, WV
Scrapbook – Eugene McManus Post 238, Dewitt, IA
1991 Narrative – Highby-Oglan-Soerens Post 345, Hingham, WI
Scrapbook – No-Vel Post 159, Venice, FL
1992 Narrative – Colonial Heights Post 284 – Colonial Heights, VA
Yearbook – Winfield Post 10, Winfield, KS
1993 Narrative – Hartford Post 26, White River Junction, VT
Scrapbook – Paul E. Bolding Post 7, Gainesville, GA
1994 Narrative – Peter Smith Post 327, Shawnee, KS
Yearbook – Alonzo F. Dexter Post 101, Clay Center, KS
1995 Narrative – Hartford Post 26, White River Junction, VT
Yearbook – Kirby Stewart Post 24, Bradenton, FL
1996 Narrative – Jane A. Delano Post 122, St. Petersburg, FL.
Yearbook – Sackett-Merrill-White Post 575, Bergen, NY
1997 Narrative – Clinton Post 259, Clinton, MD
Yearbook – Jim Leonard Post 8, Lexington, NC
1998 Narrative – Port Charlotte Post 110, Port Charlotte, FL
Yearbook – Windcrest Post 612, San Antonio, TX
1999 Narrative – Women’s Post 612, San Antonio, TX
Yearbook – Santiam Post 51, Lebanon, OR
2000 Narrative – Ibell-Jacobson-Smith Post 61, Deep River, CT
Yearbook – C.B. Dowdell Post 558, Americus, GA
2001 Narrative – Ibell-Jacobson-Smith Post 61, Deep River, CT
Yearbook – Rosetown Memorial Post 542, Roseville, MN
2002 Narrative – Missing Man Post 667, Universal City, TX
Yearbook – Earl Collier Post 153, Olathe, KS
2003 Narrative – Samuel Cooke Post 267, Columbus, GA
Yearbook – Harris Dennis Post 151, Mellette, SD
2004 Narrative – Chattahoochee Post 251, Duluth, GA
Yearbook – Hutchinson Post 96, Hutchinson, MN
2005 Narrative – Manhasset Post 304, Manhasset, NY
Yearbook – Alois Dreikosen Post 469, Marathon, WI
2006 Narrative – Battlefield Post 214, Rossville, GA
Yearbook – Alois Dreikosen Post 469, Marathon, WI
2007 Narrative – Sykesville Memorial Post 223, Sykesville, MD
Yearbook – Land Thiel Post 470, Saukville, WI
2008 Narrative – Land Thiel Post 470, Saukville, WI
Yearbook – Matthews-Crawford Post 131, Warrensburg, OH
2009 Narrative – No-Vel Post 159, Venice, FL
Yearbook – Ontario Post 67, Ontario, OR
2010 Narrative – Frank B. Bartlett Post 7, Buckhannon, WV
Yearbook – Matthews-Crawford Post 131, Warrensburg, OH

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NATIONAL POST HISTORY CONTEST AWARD RECIPIENTS (continued)

2011 Narrative – Matthews-Crawford Post 131, Warrensburg, OH
Yearbook – Lt. J. L. Shryer Post 430, Durant, IA
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:

National Headquarters, The American Legion, National Trophies, Awards and Ceremonials Committee.

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 National Trophies and Awards Committee 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 National Trophies, Awards and Ceremonials Committee and the National Executive Committee, 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 Trophies, Awards and Ceremonials Committee to the National Executive Committee at its first meeting following the presentation.
4. The National Trophies, Awards and Ceremonials Committee 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. McGivern, Canada; J. P. Nevins, 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 Sainteny, France; Donald S. McTavish, Canada; Maj. Gen. Lucien Truyers, Belgium
1964  Gen. Rueben Peralta y Alarcon, Mexico; Gen. Roberto Fierro, Mexico; A. J. Carfrae, 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. Jaques P. L. De Grancey, 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, Italy; Montague Herbert Hurst, Canada
1968  General Henri Zeller, France; Dr. Pierre Weber, France; Simeon C. Medalia, 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
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<td>1972</td>
<td>Jacques Medecin, France</td>
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<td>Leon DeCleyre, Belgium; Tsu-Yu Chao, Republic of China (Taiwan); Victor C. J. Chai, Republic of China (Taiwan)</td>
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<td>Mrs. Adelina Guerin-Beau, France; William H. Craydon, England</td>
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<td>Alfonzo Cuellar Ponce de Leon, Mexico; Claude-Lucien Ferrer, France</td>
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<td>Yen Hsiao-Chang, Republic of China (Taiwan); Alejo S. Santos, Philippines; Andre Rigoine de Fougerolles, France; Glen A. Grose, Canada</td>
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<td>1978</td>
<td>Pierre Taillacott, France, Maeng Kee Lee, Republic of Korea</td>
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<td>Mrs. Clementine Pletsier-Degroot, Belgium; Pierre Leopold Henry Portier, France; Aime S. Leocard, France; Ferdinand Edralin Marcos, Philippines</td>
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<td>1983</td>
<td>Gen. Romero C. Espino, Philippines; Mathias Moeris, Belgium; Leon Zitrone, France</td>
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<td>Sir William Keys, Australia; Sir Colin Hines, Australia; Gen. Fabian C. Ver, Philippines; Prof. Paul Pin, France</td>
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<td>Sir Albert Abbott, C.B.E., Australia, Fernand Wauthier, Belgium; Lee Telesco, Philippines</td>
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<td>1987</td>
<td>Ernesto P. Golez, Philippines</td>
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<td>Joon-Yeol So, Korea, Francois Harter, France, Daniel A. J. Cole, Australia</td>
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<td>William Brace, Australia, Ernesto S. Gidays, Philippines, General Huis Li-Nung, Taiwan, Louis Van Thienen, Belgium</td>
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<td>1994</td>
<td>Enrique Abila, Philippines, Kyoo-Tek Ahn, Republic of Korea; Raymond E. Buchanan, Australia; Benno R. Niedzielski, France; Andre Ernest Verheugen, Belgium</td>
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<td>1995</td>
<td>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 MuQuillan, Australia</td>
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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:

1962 None Awarded
1963 Representative Carl Vinson, GA
1964 None Awarded
   (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, NY
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
1997 Representative Henry J. Hyde, IL
1998 Senator Olympia J. Snowe, ME
1999 Senator John W. Warner, VA
2000 Senator Larry E. Craig, ID
   Senator Robert C. Byrd, WV
2001 Representative Robert “Bob” L. Stump, AZ
2002 Representative Benjamin “Ben” A. Gilman, NY
2003 Representative Randy “Duke” Cunningham, CA
   Representative John P. Murtha, PA
2004 Representative Christopher H. Smith, NJ
2005 Senator Harry Reid, NV
   Representative Michael Bilirakis, FL
2006 Senator Kay Bailey Hutchinson, TX
2007 Senator Dianne Feinstein, CA
2008 Representative Chet Edwards, TX
2009 Senator Charles “Chuck” Grassley, IA
2010 Representative C. W. “Bill” Young, FL
2011 Senator Daniel K. Akaka, HI
2012 Congressman Bob Filner, CA
THE ARTHUR D. HOUGHTON SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION TROPHY

**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
- 1964: Kentucky
- 1965: Ohio
- 1966: Kentucky
- 1967: Connecticut
- 1968: Mississippi
- 1969: Minnesota
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- 1971: Indiana
- 1972: Wisconsin
- 1973: Kentucky
- 1974: Indiana
- 1975: Florida
- 1976: Category I – Kentucky
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     Category II – Wyoming  
     Category III – Missouri  
     Category IV – California  
     Category V – Pennsylvania  

2011  Category I – Montana  
     Category II – Tennessee  
     Category III – Wisconsin  
     Category IV – California  
     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)
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**1998** Category I – None Qualified  Category II – None Qualified  Category III – Georgia  Category IV – Maine  Category V – Rhode Island  Category VI – Alaska

**1999** Category I – None Qualified  Category II – None Qualified  Category III – Virginia  Category IV – Kentucky  Category V – South Carolina  Category VI – Alaska and Nevada (tied)

**2000** Category I – None Qualified  Category II – None Qualified  Category III – Georgia  Category IV – Arizona and South Carolina (tied)  Category V – None Qualified  Category VI – Alaska

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**2005** Category I – None Qualified  Category II – None Qualified  Category III – None Qualified  Category IV – None Qualified  Category V – Delaware  Category VI – None Qualified

**2006** Category I – None Qualified  Category II – None Qualified  Category III – None Qualified  Category IV – None Qualified  Category V – Delaware  Category VI – None Qualified

**2007** Category I – None Qualified  Category II – None Qualified  Category III – None Qualified  Category IV – None Qualified  Category V – None Qualified  Category VI – None Qualified

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**2011** Category I – None Qualified  Category II – None Qualified  Category III – None Qualified  Category IV – Kentucky  Category V – None Qualified  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
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1976 West Virginia
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1978 Idaho
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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
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.

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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
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  Frank H. Carr, Virginia
2007  Frank H. Carr, Virginia
2008  Frank H. Carr, Virginia
2009  RV Martin, Mississippi
2010  Nathaniel King, Georgia
2011  Nathaniel King, 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
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1942 Canada
1943 Hawaii
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1945 Puerto Rico
1946 France
1947 Philippines
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1951 Panama, Canal Zone
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1954 Hawaii
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1962 Mexico
1963 Panama, Canal Zone
1964 Canada
1965 France
1966 Mexico
1967 Philippines
1968 Mexico
1969 Canada
1970 Mexico
1971 Panama, Canal Zone
1972 Mexico
1973 Panama, Canal Zone
1974 Puerto Rico
NORTH CAROLINA TROPHY RECIPIENTS (continued)

1975 Panama, Canal Zone
1976 Canada
1977 Panama, Canal Zone
1978 Puerto Rico
1979 Panama, Canal Zone
1980 France
1981 Puerto Rico
1982 Puerto Rico
1983 Canada
1984 Italy
1985 Puerto Rico
1986 Mexico
1987 Mexico
1988 Philippines
1989 Mexico
1990 Mexico
1991 Italy
1992 Italy
1993 Italy
1994 Italy
1995 Mexico
1996 Puerto Rico
1997 Mexico
1998 Puerto Rico
1999 Puerto Rico
2000 France
2001 Hawaii
2002 Puerto Rico
2003 France
2004 Puerto Rico
2005 France
2006 France
2007 Philippines
2008 Puerto Rico
2009 None Awarded
2010 None Awarded
2011 None Awarded
**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
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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
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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
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:

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  Ansfrid 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  Brittany 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, Beaver Creek, 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. Calsoun
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  Austin B. McKinney
2012  Erick J. Robinson, LA

1959  Louis L. Kingsland, Jr., Midland Park, NJ
1960  David B. Luce, Orland, CA
1961  John D. Sullivan, Jr., Worcester, MA
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 announced at the National Convention following the presentation.
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. Bohlayer, Honey Brook, PA
1974 Steven G. Hein, Tustin, CA
1975 Allen B. Hughes, Huntington Beach, CA
1976 James A. Capacci, Seneca Falls, NY
1977 James F. Murray, Falls Church, VA
1978 Scott E. Hartley, Long Beach, CA
1979 Michael P. Butler, Wilmington, DE
1980 Alex O. Simonka, Florinda, NJ
1981 Kurt J. Collella
1982 Timothy M. Henry
1983 Kevin M. O’Day, Greenville, RI
1984 Kenneth K. Moore
1985 James E. Rendon
1986 John T. Hardin, New Castle, DE
1987 George A. Capacci, Seneca Falls, NY
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    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 Luxhoj, MI
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 also be announced at the National Convention following the presentation.
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, PR
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 announced at the National Convention following the presentation.
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

Recipients:

1935 John D. Bristor, Passaic, NJ
1936 Oliver G. Haywood, J., Conchas, NM
1937 Campbell H. Snyder, Vicksburg, MS
1938 Rober A. Breitweiser, Denver, CO
1939 Edmund Kirby-Smith, Sewanne, TN
1940 John A. Graf, Erie, MI
1941 Elmer Parker, Yakes, ME
1942 Irving R. Obenchain, Jr., Birmingham, AL
1943 Edward L. Sheley, Jr. (Jan)
James F. Scoggin, Jr. (June)
1944 None Awarded
1945 None Awarded
1946 Milton A. Strain, Fort Benning, GA
1947 Robert M. Montague, Jr., Fort Bliss, TX
1948 Arthur L. Whitley
1949 Richard T. Carvolth, III, Peckyville, PA
1950 Robert M. Wilson, Kingston, RI
1951 William L. Lemmitzer, Fort Campbell, KY
1952 Leslie Van Trees, Jr., Kansas City, KS
1953 Alvin L. Hayes, Hartford, CT
1954 Ames S. Albro, Jr., Tucson, AZ
1955 John T. Hamilton, Eudowood Sanitorium, Towson 4, MD
1956 Frederick S. Holmes, Riviera Beach, FL
1957 John H. Vickers, Fairfield, CT
1958 Dan A. Brookhart, River Edge, NJ
1959 Jack M. Warren, Chattanooga, TN
1960 Charles P. Olstott, Dallas, TX
1961 James E. Jenz, Ripon, WI
1962 James W. Dunmyer, Wilmington, DE
1963 John P. Bell, Euclid, OH
1964 David L. Ugland, Minneapolis, MN
1965 Jerald P. Eichelberger, New Cumberland, PA
1966 Bruce M. Wilson, Spokane, WA
1967 John R. Hadorn, Aberdeen, SD
1968 Robert L. Merritt, Des Moines, IA
1969 Robert P. Jones, Tulsa, OK
1970 Dean J. Nickles, Wheeling, WV
1971 Dennis A. Wenker, Lock Haven, PA
1972 Sterling G. West, St. Petersburg, FL
1973 Thomas E. Wiswell, Tioga, PA
1974 David A. Bosse, Breham, TX
1975 Paul S. Schaefer, Buffalo, NY
1976 Michael R. Morris, St. Petersburg, FL
1977 Mark B. Mengel, Edmond, OK
1978 Thoams D. Hook, Moraga, CA
1979 Scott R. Duffin, Cinnaminson, NJ
1980 Michael R. Schaub
1981 Mark T. Marino, West Point, NY
1982 James H. North, Jr., Hazleton, PA
1983 William B. Reece
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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 announced at the National Convention following the presentation.

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. Dacey, 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  Edward L. Warner, III, Okemos, MI
1962  Perry W. Miles, Danville, VA
1963  Barry M. Plott, Scottsdale, AZ
1964  Craig M. Rasmussen, Sanger, CA
1965  John S. Redd, Sidney, IA
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, Gwynedd, 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. Schlientz, Tucumcari, NM
1978  Kevin R. O’Keefe, Fairfax, VA
1979  John Gahan, Huntsville, AL
1980  Carl W. Barbour, Richmond, VA
1981  Timothy S. MacGregor, Binghamton, NY
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**Description:**

*General:* A certificate of recognition presented to each winning department.

*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:**

Presented by the National Commander, along with a letter of appreciation, addressed to the department commander and signed by the National Commander. The resolution provides that departments be placed in categories based on the membership of the department, using criteria established by the Membership and Post Activities Committee. Winning departments, who are recognized for post and individual participation, are also included in the written report of the Convention Committee on National Security to the annual National Convention.

**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-Foreign Relations Division.

*Category I –* Departments with 70,000 or more members.

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

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

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

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

Note: In 1988 a sixth category was added and changed the size of categories.

*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.

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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 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  Police Officer Ronald Tookes, Miami-Dade, FL
2003  Deputy Casey R. Nelms, Sutherland, NE
2004  Officer 1st Class Patrick W. Eckley, Howard County Police Department, Ellicott City, MD
2005  Detective Mark S. Cottom, Springfield Township Police Department, Springfield, IL
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
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 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.
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Recipients:

2010  Marcus Haynes, Valdosta Fire Department, Valdosta, GA
2011  Captain Brian S. Michel, Pike County Emergency Services, Zebulon, GA
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.

How Awarded:

To be awarded annually to that department giving the highest degree of support to the ROTC program within its jurisdiction, based on criteria drawn up by the National Security Commission.

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
1987  Minnesota
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  Alaska, 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
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:


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 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 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
1960* U.S. News & World Report
1961* Hearst Newspapers
1961* Scripps-Howard Newspapers
1962 Jack L. Warner, President, Warner Brothers Pictures
1963 Fulton Lewis, Jr.
1963* The Copley Press, Inc.
1963* This Week Magazine
1964* The Chicago Tribune
1965 Mississippi Publishers Corp.
1965* Clark Mollenhoff, Cowles Publications
1965* Paul Harvey, American Broadcasting Company
1965* Golden West Broadcasters
THE AMERICAN LEGION FOURTH ESTATE AWARD RECIPIENTS (continued)

1966 Mutual Broadcasting System
   The Booth Newspapers
   The Columbus Dispatch
1967 St. Louis Globe-Democrat
1968 William S. White
1969 George W. Healy, Jr.
   Raymond J. McHugh
1970 James Geddes Stahlman, Nashville, TN
   Jenkin Lloyd Jones, The Tribuen, Tulsa, OK
1971 Anheuser Busch, Inc.
   John Wayne
1972 Augustin Edwards, El Mercurio, Santiago, Chile
1973 Clare Boothe Luce
1974 James J. Kilpatrick, Jr.
1975 Jim Bishop
1976 Vic Cantone
   Thomas P. Chisman, Bicentennial Radio Network, Ltd.
1977 The Columbus Dispatch
   Jess Gorkin, Parade Magazine
1978 Milton Caniff
   Mort Walker
1979 National Public Radio
1980 Hy Rosen-Albany, NY, Times-Union
1981 N. LaVerl Christensen, Editor Emeritus of the
   Daily Herald, Provo, UT
1982 Newsweek Magazine
1983 Sacramento Union
1984 C-Span
1985 Life Magazine
1986 KMOX Radio, St. Louis, MO
1987 ABC Radio News, New York, NY
1988 Billy Cox, Florida Today
1989 Mary Beth Pheiffer, The Poughkeepsie Journal
1990 Margaretta A. Downey, The Poughkeepsie
   Journal, Poughkeepsie, NY
1991 Michael Trihey, Tamara Welch, The Bakersfield
   Californian
1992 Philip Dine, The St. Louis Post Dispatch
1993 Ms. Ann M. Morrison, Fortune Magazine
1994 Ted Lewis, KSNW-TV, Wichita, KS
1995 Marcia Stepnacak & Charles J. Lewis, Hearst
   Newspapers, Washington Bureau/Albany Times
   Union
1996 James C. “Denny” Crimmins, Chairman, High
   Road Productions, Palo Alto, CA
1997 Alyssa Lenhoff & Ed Simpson, Tribune Chronicle,
   Warren, OH
1998 Kirk Mitchell, Reporter, The Tribune, Mesa, AZ
1999 Jerry Mitchell, Reporter, The Clarion-Ledger,
   Jackson, MS
2000 Colleen Halpin, Producer, Dateline NBC
2001 Tammy Pearson, Assistant Managing Editor,
   Chronicle-Tribune, Marion, IN
2002 Russell Carollo, Christine Willmsen,
   Mike Wagner and Doug Harris, Reporters,
   Dayton Daily News, Dayton, OH
2003 Norman Sinclair, Investigative Reporter, The
   Detroit News

2004 Mark Benjamin, UPI Investigations Editor
2005 Laurie Stein, WFOR-TV, Miami, FL
2006 The Post-Crescent, Appleton, WI
2007 Jennifer Kraus, News Channel 5, Nashville, TN
2008 KRIV-TV Channel 5, Houston, TX
2009 USA Today
2010 ABA Journal
2011 Pittsburgh Tribune-Review, Pittsburgh, PA
   (Newspaper)
   The Indianapolis Star, Indianapolis, IN (Internet)
   News Channel 5, Nashville, TN (Broadcast)
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 the annual National Commander’s luncheon in Washington, DC, upon the recommendation of the Chairman of the National Public Relations Commission and Director of the National Public Relations Division.

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 National Public Relations Commission or the Director of the National Public Relations 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 the Washington Conference in Washington, DC plus executive transportation to and from the airport if the award winner is not a resident of the Washington metropolitan area, one night lodging at the Washington Conference headquarters hotel, up to four tickets for the National Commander’s Public Relations Award 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
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
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.
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 and the five military departments 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 hometown 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 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 King
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 Lammon

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
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
1965 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1966 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1967 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1968 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
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
1994  Joliet Legion Band, Post 1284, Joliet, IL
1995  American Legion Band of the Tonawandas, Post 264, Tonawanda, NY
1996  American Legion Band of the Tonawandas, Post 264, Tonawanda, NY
1997  Joliet Legion Band, Post 1284, Joliet, IL
1998  American Legion Band of the Tonawandas, Post 264, Tonawanda, NY
1999  American Legion Band of the Tonawandas, Post 264, Tonawanda, NY
2000  American Legion Band of the Tonawandas, Post 264, Tonawanda, NY
2001  American Legion Band of the Tonawandas, Post 264, Tonawanda, NY
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
2009  American Legion Band of the Tonawandas, Williamsville, NY
2010  American Legion Band of the Tonawandas, Williamsville, NY
2011  American Legion Band of the Tonawandas, Williamsville, NY
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.

Recipients:

1937  Henry H. Houston Post 3, Philadelphia, PA
1938  East Orange Post 73, Irvington, NJ
1939  Harvey W. Seeds Post 29, Miami, FL
1940  Commonwealth Edison Post 118, Chicago, IL
1941  Harvey W. Seeds Post 29, Miami, FL
1942  None Awarded
1943  None Awarded
1944  None Awarded
1945  None Awarded
1946  Aqueduct Post 342, Los Angeles, CA
1947  Commonwealth Edison Post 118, Chicago, IL
1948  Capt. Harry B. Doremus Post 55, Hackensack, NJ
1949  James DeArmond Gollday Post 8, Kokomo, IN
1950  Capt. Harry B. Doremus Post 55, Hackensack, NJ
1951  Kankakee Post 85, Kankakee, IL
1952  Commonwealth Edison Post 118, Chicago, IL
(See note under Authority)
1953  Kankakee Post 85, Kankakee, IL
1954  Kankakee Post 85, Kankakee, IL
1955  Kankakee Post 85, Kankakee, IL
1956  Kankakee Post 85, Kankakee, IL
1957  Kankakee Post 85, Kankakee, IL
1958  Kankakee Post 85, Kankakee, IL
1959  Commonwealth Edison Post 118, Chicago, IL
1960  Commonwealth Edison Post 118, Chicago, IL
1961  Commonwealth Edison Post 118, Chicago, IL
1962  Commonwealth Edison Post 118, Chicago, IL
1963  Commonwealth Edison Post 118, Chicago, IL
1964  The First National Bank of Chicago Post 985, Chicago, IL
1965  Commonwealth Edison Post 118, Chicago, IL
1966  The First National Bank of Chicago Post 985, Chicago, IL
1967  The First National Bank of Chicago Post 985, Chicago, IL
1968  The First National Bank of Chicago Post 985, Chicago, IL
1969  Jersey Chevrons Post 40, Ridgefield Park, NJ
1970  Commonwealth Edison Post 118, Chicago, IL
1971  Jersey Chevrons Post 40, Ridgefield Park, NJ
1972  Greece Post 468, Rochester, NY
1973  None Awarded
1974  Jersey Chevrons Post 40, Ridgefield Park, NJ
1975  Jersey Chevrons Post 40, Ridgefield Park, NJ
1976  Jersey Chevrons Post 40, Ridgefield Park, NJ
1977  Jersey Chevrons Post 40, Ridgefield Park, NJ
1978  The First National Bank of Chicago Post 985, Chicago, IL
1979  Jersey Chevrons Post 468, Rochester, NY
1980  Double D’s, Post 180, Milwaukee, OR
1981  None Awarded
1982  Jersey Chevrons Post 40, Ridgefield, NJ
1983  Highlanders Post 201, Louisville, KY
1984  Highlanders Post 201, Louisville, KY
1985  Lakeside Post 137, Jacksonville, FL
1986  Cheverly Troopers Senior Color Guard, Cheverly Post 108, Brentwood, MD
1986  Springfield Rifles Senior Color Guard, Clark Post 362, Springfield, OH
1987  Cheverly Troopers Senior Color Guard, Cheverly Post 108, Brentwood, MD
1988  Cheverly Troopers Senior Color Guard, Cheverly Post 108, Brentwood, MD
1989  Mason-Dixon Color Guard, Morris Frock Post 42, Hagerstown, MD
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
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
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
1965 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1966 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1967 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
1968 A. R. McAlester Memorial Band, Harrowed Post 5, Joliet, IL
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 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
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1991 Oconomowoc American Legion Band, Post 91, Oconomowoc, WI
1992 Joliet Legion Band, Post 1284, Joliet, IL
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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. Joseph's Park Post 1080, Joliet, IL
2007 St. Joseph's 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
**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, 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 13th 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
- 1947 Wisconsin
- 1948 Ohio
- 1949 Illinois
- 1950 California
- 1951 Wisconsin
- 1952 Kansas
- 1953 Oklahoma
- 1954 Kansas
- 1955 Illinois
- 1956 Kansas
- 1957 Illinois
- 1958 Kansas
- 1959 Kansas
- 1960 Illinois
- 1961 Kansas
- 1962 Illinois
- 1963 Illinois
- 1964 Pennsylvania
- 1965 Illinois
- 1966 Illinois
- 1967 Pennsylvania
WILLIAM F. LENKER NATIONAL SERVICE TROPHY RECIPIENTS (continued)

1968 Ohio
1969 Illinois
1970 Ohio
1971 Kansas
1972 Pennsylvania
1973 Michigan
1974 Ohio
1975 Indiana
1976 Connecticut
1977 Minnesota
1978 Pennsylvania
1979 Ohio
1980 Connecticut
1981 Connecticut
1982 Ohio
1983 Connecticut
1984 Minnesota
1985 Minnesota
1986 Ohio
1987 Tennessee
1988 Minnesota
1989 Minnesota
1990 Minnesota
1991 Maine
1992 Pennsylvania
1993 Florida
1994 Vermont
1995 Ohio
1996 Ohio
1997 Florida
1998 Minnesota
1999 Minnesota
2000 Florida
2001 Minnesota
2002 Minnesota
2003 North Dakota
2004 Ohio
2005 Virginia
2006 Idaho
2007 Minnesota
2008 Idaho
2009 Minnesota
2010 Wisconsin
2011 Michigan
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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