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MEMORANDUM

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**TO: S.A.L. NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
S.A.L. NATIONAL COMMISSION / COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN
S.A.L. DETACHMENT COMMANDERS
S.A.L. DETACHMENT ADJUTANTS**

DATE: APRIL 15, 2020

SUBJECT: S.A.L. 2020 NATIONAL [CONVENTION] AWARDS

In light of the cancellation of the 49th National Convention scheduled for August 28-30, 2020 in Louisville, Kentucky, we have received several inquiries as to how we will handle the awards normally presented at the National Convention. This memo intends to answer those questions.

REMINDER: The 90% membership target date has been changed to May 13, 2020.
The 100% membership target date has been changed to June 17, 2020.
The 105% membership target date remains July 29, 2020.

- Membership Committee
 - Quota Detachment Award -> 100% Target Date is now June 17, 2020
 - Hartline Award -> New charters deadline remains June 30, 2020
 - Triple Nickel Award -> Deadline remains July 1, 2020
 - All other award cutoff dates remain July 29, 2020 (105% target)
- Child Welfare Foundation Committee
 - The Foundation's donation year is unchanged.
 - All awards will be based upon donations received at National Headquarters by Friday, May 29, 2020.
- National History Contest Awards
 - Submission deadline remains July 15, 2020 at National Headquarters
 - *Still determining how we can judge the entries*
- Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Committee Awards
 - Best VA&R Report Awards (based on CSR data as of July 29, 2020)

- Charles B. Rigsby Volunteer of the Year Award -> deadline remains July 29, 2020
- *VA&R Chairman will receive CSR data and Rigsby submissions ASAP for his Commission to review / determine winners via conference call*
- Americanism Committee Awards
 - Atwood-Beyea-York Memorial Award (based on CSR data as of July 29, 2020)
 - *Americanism Chairman will receive CSR data ASAP for his Commission to review / determine winners via conference call*
 - Highest NEF Per Capita Donation by Region
 - The NEF's donation year is unchanged.
 - Awards will be based upon donations received at National Headquarters by June 30, 2020.
 - Community Service Scrapbook Contest Awards
 - Submission deadline remains July 15, 2020 at National Headquarters
 - *Still determining how we can judge the entries*
 - Legacy Scholarship Fund Awards by Region
 - Submission deadline remains June 30, 2020 at National Headquarters
 - 2020 Boys Nation Scholarships -> 2020 program cancelled (no awards)
 - 2020 Junior Shooting Sports Scholarship -> 2020 program cancelled (no awards)
- Children & Youth Committee Awards
 - Best Regional Squadron C&Y Report (based on CSR data as of July 29, 2020)
 - Best Overall C&Y Report (based on CSR data as of July 29, 2020)
 - *C&Y Chairman will receive CSR data ASAP for his Committee to review / determine winners via conference call*
 - The American Legion Endowment Fund – Detachment Awards
 - The Fund's donation year is unchanged.
 - Awards will be based upon donations received at National Headquarters by July 1, 2020.
- Legislative Commission Award
 - George B. Evans Grassroots Veterans' Advocate of the Year Award
 - Submission deadline remains July 29, 2020 at National Headquarters
 - *Legislative Chairman will receive all submissions ASAP for his Commission to review / determine the winner via conference call*
- Public & Media Communications Commission Awards
 - Snapshots of Service Award
 - Submission deadline remains July 29, 2020 at National Headquarters
 - *P&MC Chairman will receive all submissions ASAP for his Commission to review / determine winners via conference call*
- National Color Guard Contest Award
 - No National Convention this year means no color guard contest, and, therefore, no awards will be presented

Since we will not be gathering for the convention, all of this year's awards will be sent to the recipient's Detachment Headquarters for distribution and/or presentation.