

**101st
ANNUAL CONVENTION
&
AWARDS CEREMONY

OF
THE AMERICAN LEGION
DEPARTMENT OF CONNECTICUT**

**TRUMBULL, CT
July 12-14, 2019**

2019

DEPARTMENT AWARDS

The plaques listed below **MUST** be applied for and will be awarded for accomplishments during the 2018 - 2019 Legion year.

AMERICANISM

1. **THE JAMES A. WEIR PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post *doing the best work in Youth Activities* as set up in the Americanism Program, (American Legion Boys' State; Oratorical Contest; Scouting; 4-H Club; Baseball; S.A.L.; and similarly sponsored work), with the total accomplishments in any or all of these programs to govern the award. Information must be consistent with data on submitted CPR. The committee may opt to present two awards (*large and small post*).
2. **THE ARTHUR E. DALY PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post within the Department whose accomplishment toward *all phases of Americanism* is proven to be outstanding and which has taken part in support of Homeland Security within their respective community or the state. (Use General Form)
3. **THE JOHN P. GRIFFIN PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post judged as making the most outstanding endeavors in the field of Child Welfare.
4. **THE JOHN N. ROBERTO PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post which under Awards Committee rules shall be chosen as having shown the greatest participation and work on the promotion of Patriotic Observances and Americanism in the local schools and community. Information must be consistent with data on submitted CPR.
5. **THE HENRY S. BIALOGLOWY PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to the American Legion Post, which according to Department Awards Committee rules shall have made the greatest contribution to the display, promotion, presentation and education on the American Flag.
6. ***THE RICHARD J. HEATH PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post and its Oratorical Chairman which according to Awards Committee rules, stimulates the greatest number of schools to recognize, sanction and promote The American Legion High School Oratorical Contest and results in the greatest number of students participating within the area of that Post. **SUSPENDED FOR FURTHER REVIEW**
7. **THE WILLIAM MAGER PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post sponsoring the **MOST UNUSUAL** program in the field of Children & Youth. (Use General Form)
8. **THE JOSEPH F. MARDU PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post sponsoring the most outstanding School Awards Program as an Americanism endeavor.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

9. **THE ARTHUR J. KELLY AWARD:** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post showing the greatest accomplishment in community services to *the benefit of the entire community*. (Use General Form information needed – type of program, is it continuing, portion of community that benefits, post sole sponsor or jointly sponsored)
10. **THE LEWIS E. WALLER PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post having shown the greatest participation and work in caring for homeless veterans. **Supporting material must be attached.**

11. **THE LEO M. HINDSLEY PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post having the best overall Community Service Program in their community. Information must be consistent with data on submitted CPR. **Two Awards: Under 250 members and 250 or more. Descriptive material is recommended.**
12. **ANNUAL FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THE YEAR AWARD:** Awarded annually to that Volunteer, Call or Paid Fire Department of any town or city that while in the pursuit of their profession and by exceptional performance of duty brings credit to that Fire Department and the Community for performance in the field of public safety, Children & Youth, Community Awareness Projects and participation in Patriotic Observances.
13. **ANNUAL POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE YEAR AWARD:** Awarded annually to that Police Department of any town or city that brings credit to that Police Department for performance in the field of Children & Youth, Drug Education, Community Awareness Projects and participation in Patriotic Observances.
14. **PAUL I. SPEDALIERE PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to any individual(s) of a District, Post, Unit or Squadron that promotes the theme of “Unity and Teamwork, Build Our Future” by either holding an event or creating a project which reflects the Four Pillars that embraces the entire American Legion Family.

INDIVIDUAL

15. **THE POST HISTORIANS AWARD:** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post Historian who shall register in Department Headquarters the most outstanding Scrapbook record or Narrative of the current year’s activities. (use General form - Deadline JUNE 6, 2019)
16. **THE HERBERT L. EMANUELSON PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to the individual Legionnaire who has rendered the most outstanding contributions to Community Service. (Use General form must supply name of nominee, dues current in Post No., card number, year joined, offices held and qualifications for award)
17. **THE RICHARD Wm. ANDERSON PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to the Legionnaire who, having the foresight to seek and implement solutions to the challenges facing The American Legion Post of tomorrow, prepares his/her Post to accept those challenges today. Awards Committee will judge on individual merit. (Use General form)
18. **THE EDWARD J. CARNEY, JR. PLAQUE:** Awarded to the Legionnaire recruiting the most *NEW* Legionnaires in the current Legion year, (July 1- June 1), as verified by the Post and the Department Adjutant. (Use General Form and list new members with ID numbers)
19. **THE RICHARD W. ANDERSON PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to that Legionnaire in the Department of Connecticut, who actively supports, promotes and participates in The American Legion Americanism Program as sponsored by the Posts. Support material must be attached. (use General form - information needed – Name, # & location of Post, name of nominee, statement of activities with supportive material)
20. **PETER LOUX "SERGEANT-AT-ARMS OF THE YEAR" AWARD:** Awarded to Post, District or Department Sgt.-at-Arms who, in the opinion of the awards committee, exemplifies the highest values of service to the American Legion, Community, State and Nation, along with excellence and leadership.
21. **THE ARTHUR ST. JOHN PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to the individual S.A.L. member who according to the Department Awards Committee has been chosen as the most Outstanding Son in a Squadron of The Sons of The American Legion for the current year. This is to be accomplished by each Squadron (or Post) submitting a nomination to the Department Awards Committee who shall judge such nominations on the outstanding manner in which the S.A.L. member has contributed to the programs of the S.A.L. and The American Legion. (Use General form- information needed – Post #, location, name of nominee, Squadron number & location, year joined, list of qualifications).
22. **THE BOYD SAXTON PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to the Post and/or District Chaplain who has exhibited spiritual guidance and performed the most duties of their office. (Use General form)
23. **THE NEALE V. CABRAL PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to the Post Adjutant who according to the Department Awards Committee has served in an outstanding manner in performing his or her duties.

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24. **THE LOUIS E. MOLINARO PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to the Post commander who according to the Department Awards Committee has been chosen as being the most outstanding Post Commander of the current year.
25. **LEGIONNAIRE OF THE YEAR AWARD:** Three (3) nominations are preferred by the Awards Committee for the award to be made. Award is based on activities of nominee and outstanding and unusual service performed by the nominee to The American Legion during the year ending since last convention. **Current Department Officers do not qualify.**
26. **JOHN C. LAFONTAINE PLAQUE: “ EMERGENCY SERVICES PERSON OF THE YEAR”:** Awarded annually to that member of any Volunteer, On-Call, C.E.R.T. Certified or Paid Emergency Services Department who while in the pursuit of their profession and by exceptional performance of duty has brought credit to their Department, the Community and to themselves during the current year and by conducting themselves in this manner has earned the highest respect of The American Legion, Department of Connecticut.
27. **LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THE YEAR:** Awarded to the Law Enforcement Officer meeting the criteria specified on list following application (enclosed with this awards package or found at: <http://www.legion.org/security/officeraward>). If documentation requirements are met, then Department winner will be forwarded to National for consideration of National Award.
28. **FIRE FIGHTER OF THE YEAR:** Awarded annually to that member of any Volunteer, ON Call or Paid Certified Fire Fighter who while in the pursuit of their profession and by exceptional performance of duty has brought credit to their Fire Department, the Community and to themselves during the current year and by conducting themselves in this manner has earned the highest respect of The American Legion, Department of Connecticut. The winner of the Fighter of the Year Award will be forwarded to The American Legion National Head Quarters to be considered for the National Fire Fighter of the Year. **(IT IS PREFERRED THERE BE 3 ENTRIES TO BE JUDGED) Use Form 28 & 28b**
29. **HARRY R. “BUTCH” HANSEN JR. AWARD:** Awarded to the individual transferring the most members from Post 200 (current or expired) into his or her Post during the current membership year, (1July – 1May) as verified by the Post and the Department Adjutant. (Use general form and list names of transfers).
30. **MEDIA RELATIONS AWARD:** Awarded annually to that Legionnaire in the Department of Connecticut, who actively supports, educates, and participates in promoting The American Legion Department of Connecticut’s Media Relations Program, regardless of media (printed, copied or electronic). Support material must be attached. (Use general form – information needed: Name, phone number, location of Post, name nominee, statement of activities with supportive material).

POST ACTIVITIES

31. **THE CHARLES J. MAJEWSKI PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post which according to Department Awards Committee rules is judged to have the most all-inclusive Post activities program between June 1st and the subsequent Memorial Day. **Two Awards: Under 250 members and 250 or more.**
32. **THE HUGH C. GRAHAM PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post which is judged to have had the most outstanding and diversified Public Relations Program to promote the best interest of all-American Legion programs. **Supportive material must be furnished.**
33. **THE EUGENE W. FREEMAN PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post which does the most toward encouraging interest and work on National Security at community and national levels.
34. ***THE CHARLES E. HAAS PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to the American Legion Post which has demonstrated the most in assistance to the “Lonesome Child”. i.e. Assistance to needy children, especially at holiday time. **SUSPENDED FOR FURTHER REVIEW**

35. **THE GEORGE D. BARON PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to the American Legion Post which prepares and sends to its members the most outstanding and newsworthy Post Publication (Bulletins, Newsletters, Newspapers, emailed file) regardless of media (printed, copied, electronic). (use **General form** – information needed – **name of editor, number of members, number of copies distributed (traditional mail & email), media, source of materials – one full year of publication must be attached**).
36. **JAMES A. LACOURSIERE, JR. AWARD:** Awarded to the Post that best involves itself in the Heroes to Hometown (H2H), the Troop Support Services (TS2), the Reconnect Program, Family Support, and/or Operation Comfort Warriors (OCW). (Use **General Form** and provide **documentation of support and guidance to Veterans, Soldiers, and their families through these programs**).
37. **THE NATIONAL GUARD PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to the post that makes the greatest per capita contribution to the Connecticut National Guard Foundation, Inc. Submit **General Form** with a copy of cancelled check. Tie breaker – goes to the post with the highest percentage of their membership goal as of June 1 of the award year.
38. **THE FRANCIS G. GARRIS PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post which according to the Department Awards Committee has been judged to have exhibited the greatest effort in promoting the Scouting Program (any & all elements of BSA). (use **General form** – information needed – **Unit No., location, # of boys in Unit, # of Legionnaires as Scoutmasters, # of Legionnaires as Committeemen, how often unit meets, major projects, Cost of Unit borne by Post**), etc.
39. **THE CHET D. HIRSCH PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post which sponsors the best program in environmental ecology.
40. **THE REV. ROBERT G. KEATING PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post which shall have shown the greatest accomplishment in religious emphasis of The American Legion during the current year, such as promotion of Religious Emphasis Week and Four Chaplains Sunday. (use **General form**)

VETERANS AFFAIRS & REHABILITATION

41. **THE JOHN W. CLARKE PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to *the individual American Legion Post Service Officer* who has excelled in service work by servicing veterans and their dependents in a manner that has brought outstanding records of achievement in securing claims and benefits.
42. **THE JOSEPH G. LEONARD PLAQUE (automatic):** Awarded annually to *the Post* whose Service Officer received the *John W. Clarke Plaque* by excelling in service work and engaging in or sponsoring rehabilitation activities beneficial to veterans and dependents of the community during the preceding twelve (12) months commencing June 1st.
43. **THE RAYMOND R. BIGELOW PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to the Post doing the most to promote the VAWS and RHVS programs in the VA Medical Centers and Rocky Hill. (use **General form** – information needed – **Post #, location, list of contributions made, and events held [where?]**)

“Automatic” DEPARTMENT AWARDS

For your information, the plaques listed below are ‘automatic’, i.e. determined by HQ or elsewhere. They are *earned* and can NOT be applied for. However, many are membership awards that you most certainly could strive for. They will be awarded for accomplishments during the 2018 - 2019 Legion program year (June 1 – May 31).

AMERICANISM

44. **THE JOHN J. FEEGEL PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to that Post sponsoring the winner of the current year's Department Oratorical Contest. *(Awarded automatically)
45. **THE ARTHUR J. CONNELL PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post sponsoring the boy who on the last day of Boys' State was voted by the citizens of Boys' State to have done the most for the current session. *(Awarded automatically)
46. **THE EDWARD H. LYNCH, JR. PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to the American Legion Post who is the sponsor of the Department Americanism Award recipient. *(Awarded automatically)
47. **THE EARLE S. CROOKS PLAQUE:** Awarded to that American Legion Post sponsoring the most candidates to American Legion Boys' State. Small Post 15-100, Medium Post 101-250 and Large Post 251 and above *(Awarded automatically)
48. **THE LIONEL F. DUGAS PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to that American Legion District which will stimulate the highest percentage of Posts submitting the Consolidated Post Report (CPR) by June 1st. *(Awarded automatically)
49. **THE JOHN S. BABES PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post, which sponsors the boy, elected as Governor of the current session of Boys' State. *(Awarded automatically)
50. **THE ELLIOTT K. BURR MEMORIAL AWARD:** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post sponsoring the boy at Boys' State showing the most outstanding participation in the Religious Program for the current session. *(Awarded automatically)
51. **THE WILLIAM H. JORDAN PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to the Post sponsoring the boy chosen by the Boys' State Commission who has combined the spirit of God and Country with the motto "SEMPER FI". *(Awarded automatically)
52. **THE EVERETT G. SHEPARD, III PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to the Post or Organization sponsoring the winner of the Department Commander's award at State Police Youth Week. *(Awarded automatically)
53. **THE W. FRAZIER BRINLEY PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to the individual raising the greatest amount of money at the Annual Walk-A-Thon for Connecticut's Kids and our Children's Hospital. *(Awarded automatically)
54. **THE DEPARTMENT BASEBALL PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to that Post which shall sponsor the Baseball Team winning the Department Championship. *(Awarded automatically)
55. **THE MILTON E. MORITZ PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to that *American Legion Post or other organization* sponsoring the Troop of the Eagle Scout chosen as Scout of the Year. *(Awarded automatically)

INDIVIDUAL

56. **THE H. DAVID SMITH PLAQUE (1):** Awarded annually to the Department "SPORTER" Junior Shooter Champion. *(Awarded automatically)
57. **THE H. DAVID SMITH PLAQUE (2):** Awarded annually to the Department "PRECISION" Junior Shooter Champion. *(Awarded automatically)
58. **THE WILLIAM J. LUCAS PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to the boy elected as Governor of the current session of Boys' State. *(Awarded automatically)
59. **THE GEORGE R. WHITE, JR. MEMORIAL AWARD:** To be awarded to the outstanding Pitcher of the Department Baseball Tournament. *(Awarded automatically)

60. **THE WILLIAM J. POMFRET PLAQUE:** “The American Legion Baseball Coach of the Year” Awarded to the head Coach of the team that wins the Connecticut American Legion Baseball Championship at the annual Department Tournament. *(Awarded automatically)
61. **THE K. ROBERT LEWIS PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to the individual who has been judged on the presentation and knowledge of the United States Constitution and the duties of citizenship to be the Department Champion of the National High School Oratorical Contest Department finals. In recognition of the outstanding citizenship exemplified in the youth of today, this award shall be presented during The American Legion, Department of Connecticut annual convention. *(Awarded automatically)
62. **THE E. GUY MILLER PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to the District Sr. Vice-Commander who has been most active within their District, particularly with respect to promoting membership. *(Awarded automatically)
63. **THE HENRY MAYER PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to the District Commander selected as “District Commander of the Year” based on a point system, which is on file in the Department Adjutant’s office. *(Awarded automatically)

MEMBERSHIP

64. **THE PHILO C. CALHOUN AWARD:** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post of the Department, which is the first to equal its previous year’s membership. *(Awarded automatically)
65. **THE CLARENCE W. SEYMOUR AWARD:** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post which makes the greatest percentage gain in membership over the previous year. *(Awarded automatically)
66. **THE MORGAN B. HAVEN PLAQUE:** Awarded to that American Legion Post which has the greatest percentage of its previous year’s membership renewed by January 1st. *(Awarded automatically)
67. **THE HOWARD I. JACOBS PLAQUE (1):** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post with a membership goal of 50-100, 101-300 and 301 and above which on December 31st has the greatest numerical membership in the Department of Connecticut. *(Awarded automatically)
68. **THE LEROY B. BUTLER PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post having the greatest numerical advance in membership for the new year on Veterans Day, November 11th. *(Awarded automatically)
69. **THE JOHN F. SPAIN PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post with a membership of 300 to 500 members, which shall have five (5) consecutive years or more of Quota membership. *(Awarded automatically)
70. **THE JOSEPH W. TARRANT, JR. PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post which enrolled the most NEW MEMBERS for the current membership year. *(Awarded automatically)
71. **THE ELIOTT N. MORRIS PLAQUE (1):** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post with a goal of over 500 members which on the closing day of the Mid-Winter Conference has the greatest percentage of Quota into Department. *(Awarded automatically)
72. **THE ELIOTT N. MORRIS PLAQUE (2):** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post with a goal of 200 to 500 members which on the closing day of the Mid-Winter Conference has the greatest percentage of Quota into Department. *(Awarded automatically)
73. **THE D. JOSEPH JACKSON PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to the American Legion Post, which is the first to achieve ALL-TIME HIGH status in membership in the current membership year. *(Awarded automatically)
74. **THE FRANK H. BUTTERWORTH PLAQUE:** Awarded annually to that American Legion Post showing the greatest numerical gain in membership over the previous year. *(Awarded automatically)

RETIRED AWARDS

**These awards may be reinstated at any time they are deemed to be once again be relevant.

THE JOHN R. SILVAY PLAQUE: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post which is judged to have presented the most outstanding program in the field of Law and Order pertaining to juvenile delinquency and the control of drugs. (Use **General Form**).

THE SYDNEY P. SIMONS PLAQUE: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post which is judged to have sponsored and activated within its community the most outstanding program of environmental beautification, improvement and betterment. (Use **General form** – information needed - # of people benefited, type of beautification, what was improved, cost of project – attach pictures or other enclosures

THE MORRIS L. ROBIN PLAQUE: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post which has contributed the most through its membership or the Post itself to the promotion and recognition of law enforcement in its community or state.

THE DISTRICT HISTORIANS AWARD: Awarded annually to the District Historian, who shall register in Department Headquarters the most outstanding Scrapbook record, or Narrative of the current years activities.

THE C. RUSSELL DAY PLAQUE: Awarded annually to the American Legion Post, which is the second Post in the Department to equal its previous year's membership. *(Awarded automatically)

THE WILLIAM J. RICH PLAQUE: Awarded to the District Senior Vice-Commander whose dedication and performance led his District to the most target dates to reach the District Goal. *(Awarded automatically)

THE JAMES H. STEINSON PLAQUE: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post which shall reach 1,000 members for the current year. This Plaque is to be awarded to the Post, which shall accomplish the rule governing the award before the close of the current year. *(Awarded automatically)

GENERAL AWARD FORM

The American Legion
Department of Connecticut
Rocky Hill, Connecticut

AWARD # _____

RE: _____
(Name of Award applied for)

ATTENTION: DIRECTOR OF DEPARTMENT AWARDS COMMITTEE:

SIMPLE OUTLINE OF FACTS

Authorized Post Member

Post No. _____

Title

Additional pages of same size (8 1/2 x 11) paper may be used.

THIS FORM MAY BE COPIED

2019
NOMINATION FORM

FOR

JAMES A. WEIR PLAQUE

BASIS OF AWARDS: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post doing the best work in *Youth Activities* as set up in the Americanism Program (American Legion Boys State, Oratorical Contest, Scouting, 4-H Club, Baseball, Jr. Shooting Program, S.A.L., Junior sponsored music and similarly sponsored work) with the total accomplishment in any or all of these programs to govern the award. Information must be consistent with data on submitted CPR. (*may award Large & Small Post*)

DO YOU SPONSOR?

Scouting	No. of youths	Amount \$.....
Name of Leader/Contact		
State Police Youth Week	No. of youths	Amount \$.....
Name of Leader/Contact:		
American Legion Baseball	No. of boys	Amount \$.....
Name of Leader/Contact.....		
Sons of The American Legion	No. of boys	Amount \$.....
Name of the Leader/Contact		
Junior Sponsored Musical Units	No. of youths	Amount \$.....
Name of Leader/Contact		
American Legion Boys' State	No. of boys	Amount \$.....
Name of Leader/Contact.....		
Oratorical Contest	No. of participants.....	Amount \$.....
Name of Leader/Contact		
Jr. Shooting Program.....	No. of participants.....	Amount \$.....
Name of Leader/Contact.....		
Other	No. of participants.....	Amount \$.....

How many members are involved in Youth Programs?

Outline major events of the year in Youth Programs
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Total number of youths accommodated by all programs.....

Total Post membership

Authorized Post Member

Post No. _____

Title

2019
NOMINATION FORM

FOR

JOHN P. GRIFFIN PLAQUE

BASIS OF AWARD: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post judged to have had the most outstanding endeavors in the field of *Child Welfare*. **Provide documentation.**

Was Consolidated Post Report submitted to Department? Y/N

Did Post contribute to or sponsor any of the following:

Child Welfare Foundation \$ _____

Kids Walk (# Walkers) \$ _____

Kids Walk Site: _____

Halloween Safety \$ _____ # _____

Children's Miracle Network: \$ _____

Operation Military Kids (OMK) \$ _____

Childs Welfare Foundation \$ _____

Other programs _____

Does the Post sponsor any town wide program for teenagers? Y/N Please provide details:

List type of program offered and give number of children involved. _____

What major event is sponsored by the Post in the interest of children? _____

How many members are on your posts Children & Youth Committee? _____

Authorized Post Member

Post No. _____

Title

**2019
NOMINATION FORM**

FOR

JOHN N. ROBERTO PLAQUE

BASIS OF AWARD: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post which shall be chosen by the Department Awards Committee as having shown *the greatest participation and work in promotion of Patriotic Observances and Americanism in local schools and community* during the current year.

1. Did your Post hold or participate with your community in observing:

EVENTS MAY 2017 thru APRIL 2018	Date of Event	Number of Members Involved	Level of Community Involvement
Armed Forces Week			
Memorial Day			
Nathan Hale Day			
Flag Day			
Independence Day			
Labor Day			
Patriot Day			
POW / MIA Recognition Day			
Election Day			
Pearl Harbor Day			
Martin Luther King / Civil Rights Day			
President's Day			
American Legion Birthday Celebration			

2. Has your Post conducted any of the following programs in schools or the community?

- a. Distribution of Flag Codes or information on the U.S. Flag. _____ How Many? _____
- b. Oratorical Contest on the U.S. Constitution _____ # of Participants _____
- c. School Award Medals for better citizenship and Americanism _____ How Many? _____
- d. Distribution and promotion of Blue Star Banner Program _____ How Many? _____

If necessary, additional remarks may be added on the reverse of this form.

Authorized Post Member

Post No. _____

Title

2019
NOMINATION FORM

FOR

HENRY S. BIALOGLOWY PLAQUE

BASIS OF AWARD: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post which according to Department Awards Committee rules shall have made *the greatest contribution in the display, promotion, presentation and education on the American Flag.*
Awarded to Small and Large Posts

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Under proper categories list all occasions your Post has participated in the following (Please Quantify):

1. Display of the American Flag - Patriotic Observances held - Parades, etc.
2. Promotion of the American Flag: sales to individuals and groups, Veterans graves, etc.
3. Presentation of American Flags - Youth Groups - Community - Individuals.
4. Credit from Emblem Sales Flag Reward Program: \$_____
5. Flag education programs - Flag Code pamphlets distributed - talks before Civic and Community groups, etc.
6. Flag disposal ceremonies (How many? When?).

REMARKS: (List additional or other details using other side of form if necessary).

Post No. _____

Authorized Post Member

Title

2019
NOMINATION FORM

FOR

JOSEPH F. MARDU PLAQUE

BASIS OF AWARD: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post sponsoring *the Outstanding School Awards Program* as an Americanism endeavor.

1. Number of schools in Town or City _____

2. Grades covered by program _____

3. Number of School Medals presented _____

4. Number of School Certificates presented _____

5. How was presentation made:

School Assembly _____

Special Program _____

6. Cost of program: _____

7. What qualities are the Award of Medals, Certificates based on?

Courage _____

Honor _____

Leadership _____

Patriotism _____

Scholarship _____

Service _____

8. Is there anything else unique to your program? _____

Authorized Post Member

Post No. _____

Title

**2019
NOMINATION FORM**

FOR

LEO M. HINDSLEY PLAQUE

BASIS OF AWARD: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post having the *best overall Community Service Program in their Community*. Information must be consistent with data on submitted CPR. Descriptive material is recommended.

3 Awards will be given:

Small (Under 150) Medium (Under 250) Large (Over 250)

DO NOT OVER ESTIMATE STATISTICS

HOW DOES YOUR POST ENGAGE IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES?

PROJECT	Number members involved	Number of hours	Number of Participants	Dollars Expended / Donated
Blood Donor Program				
Christmas for the needy				
Toys for underprivileged				
Observance of Patriotic Holidays				
Care for Community property				
Youth Activities				
Food Pantry				
Color Guard				
Scouting				
Parties and Dances				
School Awards				
Oratorical Contest				
Emergency Shelter				
Athletics				
Community activities in Legion Home				
Community recreation program				
Disaster relief				
Education week				
Flag Education				
Senior Citizens Assistance				
Sons of The American Legion Participation				
Other Community Activity (Please List)				
<u>TOTALS</u>				

Authorized Post Member

Post No. _____

Title

2019

**NOMINATION FORM
FOR
FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THE YEAR**

BASIS OF AWARD: Awarded annually to that Volunteer, On Call or Paid Fire Department of any town or city that while in the pursuit of their profession and by exceptional performance of duty brings credit to that Fire Department and the Community for performance in the field of public safety, Children & Youth, Community Awareness Projects and participation in Patriotic Observances.

American Legion _____

Post# _____

nominates _____ for Fire Department of the Year

Authorized Post Member: _____

Title: _____

Name of Nominee: _____

Address: _____

Fire Chief or Name of contact: _____

Reason for nomination:

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If more space is needed please use reverse side of this form. Be brief but provide all information.

2019

**NOMINATION FORM
FOR
POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE YEAR**

BASIS OF AWARD: Awarded annually to that Police Department of any town or city, or State Police Barracks, that brings credit to that Police Department for performance in the field of Children and Youth, Drug Education, Community Awareness Projects and participation in Patriotic Observances.

The American Legion _____ Post No. _____

nominates _____ for the Police Department of the year.

Authorized Post Member: _____

Title: _____

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Name of Nominee: _____

Address: _____

Police Chief or Name of contact: _____

Reason for nomination:

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If more space is needed please use reverse side of this form. Be brief but provide full information.

2019
NOMINATION FORM
FOR
PAUL I. SPEDALIERE PLAQUE

Basis of Award: Awarded annually to any individual(s) of a District, Post, Unit, or Squadron that promotes the theme of “Unity and Teamwork, Build Our Future” by either holding an event or creating a project which reflects the Four Pillars that embraces the entire American Legion Family.

Background: Based on the American Legion Family Bowling Tournament and the American Legion & VFW Family Bowling Tournaments of 2015, which brought organizations together building “esprit de corps.” *(The common spirit existing in the members of a group and inspiring enthusiasm, devotion, and strong regard for the honor of the group.)*

Criteria for award:

1. Names of Legion Family member(s), Post, Unit or Squadron involved deserving of the Award:

2. List event(s) and location(s) that brought the Legion Family together:

3. Were new members acquired at the event? If so, which organization(s) and number of new member(s)?

4. Give brief description of the event and why it was important to you? (use additional paper if needed)

Attach any other documentation, newspaper articles, awards, recognition or data you feel the Awards Committee should look at in its determination of your nomination.

Post No. _____

Authorized Post Member

Title

**2019
NOMINATION FORM**

FOR

NEALE V. CABRAL PLAQUE

BASIS OF AWARD: Awarded annually to the American Legion Post ADJUTANT who is chosen as having performed his or her duties in an outstanding manner.

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1. Name _____ Post No. _____
 2. Previous offices held in Post _____
 3. Total number of years as a Post Adjutant _____
 4. Is a permanent record of Post Minutes maintained _____
 5. Which Post records are current and accessible to officer's Y / N
 6. Are Department Bulletins read or highlighted at meetings? Y / N
 7. Has Consolidated Post Report been submitted? Y / N
 8. Is information from District, Dept. & National redistributed to members? _____. HOW? _____
 9. Is there a post newsletter to all members? _____. How often is it produced? _____.
How many are distributed of each format? Email: _____ &/or Printed/Copied: _____
 10. Does Post Adjutant attend District Meetings? _____ How Many? _____
 11. Did the Post submit a Post Data Form on time? Y / N National Post/Adjutant Form Y / N
 12. Did the Post submit a Post Officer Certification Form to Department Headquarters? Y / N
 13. Does the Post use myLegion.org? _____ How many members are registered? _____
 14. Did Adjutant attend Mid-Winter Conference Training? Y / N Take the ALEI Basic Training? Y / N
 15. Briefly describe what outstanding contributions the Adjutant has made to the Post in performing his or her duties and why he or she is considered to be outstanding.

Post No. _____

Authorized Post Member

Title

2019
NOMINATION FORM
FOR
LOUIS E. MOLINARO PLAQUE

BASIS OF AWARD: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post COMMANDER shall be chosen as the Outstanding Post Commander of the current year.

American Legion Post No. _____ of _____, Connecticut does hereby nominate _____ as Outstanding Post Commander for the current year (June through May).

Post final membership for preceding year: _____ Post membership March 18th of the current year: _____

ANSWER "Yes" or "No" or fill in required number for each of the following:

1. How many members attend meetings (average) # _____
2. Did the Post reach membership quota by May 1st. _____
3. Did Post participate in Legion Birthday observance? _____
4. Are new members initiated and welcomed into the Post? _____
5. How many new members this year? # _____
- 5a. How many transfers from Post 200? # _____
6. Are regular meetings conducted per The American Legion Manual? _____ # _____
7. For each of the following programs for which the Post has an active committee, note the number of members involved:
Boys' State _____ School Awards _____
Oratorical Contest _____ Flag Education _____
Scouting _____ Education & Scholarship _____
Baseball _____ Program _____
8. Does the Post actively participate in Community Service? _____
9. Is all District and Department correspondence read at meetings? _____
10. Does the Post have an active Service Officer? _____
11. Are the Post Home and grounds kept neat and attractive? _____
12. How many District Meetings did Commander attend? # _____
13. Has Commander introduced new ideas or created any new interest in Post? _____
14. Has Commander created an Esprit de Corps under their leadership? _____
15. Has Commander created a good public image for The American Legion? _____
16. Does Commander have a high regard in the community? _____
17. Did CDR attend the Mid-Winter Conference Training? (Y/N)
- Did CDR attend the Department Convention? (Y/N)
18. Has Commander completed The American Legion Extension Course? (Y/N)
19. Does Commander use myLegion.org? (Y/N)
20. Specify any other outstanding traits of leadership: _____

Please use reverse or attachment to further cite qualifications for the award, give details on the above or cite additional reasons for selection, as appropriate.

Post No. _____

Authorized Post Member

Title

2019
NOMINATION FORM

FOR

LEGIONNAIRE OF THE YEAR

IT IS PREFERRED THAT NOMINATIONS FOR AT LEAST THREE (3) DIFFERENT
LEGIONNAIRES BE RECEIVED FOR CONSIDERATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/Town: _____

Occupation: _____

Branch of Service: _____ Medals, Citations: _____

Date entered service: _____ where: _____

Date discharge: _____ where: _____

Number of years a member of The American Legion _____ Post No. _____

Legion Offices Held: _____

Other Veterans Organizations? _____

Any Public Offices held: _____

Brief biography of Legion service (use other side if necessary)

REASON FOR NOMINATION: Please give brief but complete history of this nominee's activities in The American Legion and his/her contributions to the Community, State and Nation. Explain why this Legionnaire should be recognized as *Legionnaire of The Year*. Use other side of this sheet or attachment for this information.

PLEASE NOTE: The person nominated should not be a current DEPARTMENT OFFICER, except Asst. Sgt-at-Arms, Sgt-at-Arms or Dept. Executive Committeemen. A person CANNOT NOMINATE HIMSELF OR HERSELF. The nominee should have performed outstanding or unusual service to The American Legion.

Authorized Post Member: _____

Post No. _____

Title: _____

2019
NOMINATION FORM
FOR
JOHN C. LaFONTAINE PLAQUE

“Emergency Services Person of The Year”

BASIS OF AWARD: Awarded annually to that member of any Volunteer, On-Call, C.E.R.T. Certified or Paid Emergency Services Department who while in the pursuit of their profession and by exceptional performance of duty has brought credit to their Department, the Community and to themselves during the current year and by conducting themselves in this manner has earned the highest respect of The American Legion, Department of Connecticut.

IT IS PREFERRED THERE BE 3 ENTRIES TO BE JUDGED

_____ Post No. _____ The American Legion of _____ nominates
_____ for the Annual Public Safety Award (EMT/CERT)

Authorized Post Member: _____

Title: _____

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Name of Nominee: _____

Address: _____

Age _____ Single _____ Married _____ Number of Children _____

Fire Department _____

Veteran _____ Non-Veteran _____ Branch of Service _____

Member of The American Legion _____ Post No. _____

Briefly describe why this person should be recognized:

=====
If more space is needed, please use reverse side of this form. Be brief but provide full information.

The American Legion
Law Enforcement Officer of the Year
Application Form

Date _____

Name _____ Sex _____

Home Address _____

City, State _____ Zip _____ Phone (____) ____ - _____

Age _____ Marital Status _____ Spouse's Name _____

Length of Service as Law Enforcement Officer _____

Agency Name _____

Agency Director _____ Title _____

Nominee's Supervisor _____ Title _____

Agency Address _____

City, State _____ Zip _____ Phone (____) ____ - _____

Post Submitting Nomination _____

Post Law and Order Chairman _____

Address _____

City, State _____ Zip _____ Phone (____) ____ - _____

Authorized Post

Member _____

(Signature)

Failure to use this form may result in the DISQUALIFICATION of your nominee. It should be placed as the COVER SHEET for your 'packet' of materials supporting your candidate. Include an official photograph of the nominee.

Mail ORIGINAL COPY of entire application to the American Legion Department of Connecticut, PO BOX 208, Rocky Hill, CT 06067-0208.

Application packet should conform to instructions contained in the Department Awards Instructions for 2019.



THE AMERICAN LEGION FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR AWARD NOMINATION FORM

Awarded annually to that member of any Volunteer, ON Call or Paid Certified Fire Fighter who while in the pursuit of their profession and by exceptional performance of duty has brought credit to their Fire Department, the Community and to themselves during the current year and by conducting themselves in this manner has earned the highest respect of The American Legion, Department of Connecticut. **The winner of the Fighter of the Year Award will be forwarded to The American Legion National Head Quarters to be considered for the National Fire Fighter of the Year.**

IT IS PREFERRED THERE BE 3 ENTRIES TO BE JUDGED

_____ Post No. _____ The American Legion of _____ nominates

_____ for the Department Annual Fire Fighter Award.

Authorized Post Member: _____ Title: _____

Nominee's Full Name:					
Gender:		Age:		Marital Status:	
Length of service as a firefighter:					
Home Street Address:					
City, State, Zip:					
Phone Number:					
Spouse's Name:					
Agency Name:					
Agency Director:					
Agency Director's Title:					
Nominee's Supervisor:					
Supervisor's Title:					

Please submit a one page explanation on why this person should be recognized. Use attached page for explanation.

2019
NOMINATION

FOR

CHARLES J. MAJEWSKI PLAQUE

BASIS OF AWARD:

Awarded annually to that American Legion Post which according to the Department Awards Committee is judged to have the *most all-inclusive Post Activities Program* between June 1st and the subsequent Memorial Day. Details may be continued on reverse of this form.

(Two Awards: Under 250 members and 250 or more).

Total Number of Post Members: _____

Number of events conducted by Post: _____

 Number for Post members: _____

 Number for other than Post members: _____

Type of events held: _____

List kinds of activities:

Number of Patriotic events held: _____

List events:

Number of events planned to Memorial Day: _____

List affairs:

Authorized Post Member

Title

Post No. _____

2019
NOMINATION FORM

FOR

HUGH C. GRAHAM PLAQUE

BASIS OF AWARD: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post which is judged to have the most outstanding and diversified *Public Relations Program* to promote the best interest of all American Legion Programs. Newspaper articles, photos, social media and other evidence must be submitted in applying for this award. Past projects do not count. All projects must be of a CURRENT NATURE, (June 1 to May 31).

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1. Number of times Post used radio/TV as a means of alerting the public on Legion programs: _____
 2. What stations/channels were used: _____
 3. **Attach current dated sampling of news releases and articles** pertaining to Legion Programs and Post activities.
 4. Are public officials invited to major Post activities? _____
 5. How many activities included public officials? _____
 6. Name of the Post Public Relations Officer: _____
 7. What response from public? _____
 8. Does post have a current web site? _____ Facebook Page? _____
 Domain name: _____

Authorized Post Member

Post No. _____

Title

2019
NOMINATION FORM

FOR

EUGENE W. FREEMAN PLAQUE

BASIS OF AWARD: Awarded annually to the American Legion Post which does the most toward encouraging interest and work on *National Security at Community and National levels.*

CIVIL DEFENSE

Does Post have a program aimed toward expanding awareness and information regarding both Homeland Security and natural disasters? Explain:

Are any Post Members CERT trained? ____ How Many? ____

LAW & ORDER

Does the Post support local Law Enforcement Officers and work for enforcement of Drunk Driving Laws? Explain:

MILITARY AFFAIRS

How does the Post support concern for welfare of those in Armed Forces? _____

How does Post participate in Armed Forces Day Program? _____

Does Post have legislative activities to work toward achievement of above aims? _____

Explain:

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Does Post participate in Blood Donor Program? _____ In Crime Prevention? _____

JROTC or ROTC Award Program? _____ Number of awards? ____ Where? _____

State Police Youth Week? _____.

Does Post have program aimed toward aid to Elderly and Handicapped? _____

Does post observe Patriot Day (September 11)? _____ How? _____

Does post hold immunization clinics? _____

Authorized Post Member

Post No. _____

Title

2019
NOMINATION FORM

FOR

CHET D. HIRSCH PLAQUE

BASIS OF AWARD: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post which sponsors the best program in *environmental ecology* during the past year (May 1 – April 30).

Has Post participated in recycling programs? _____ Explain _____

Has Post participated in Soil Conservation programs? _____ Explain _____

Has Post participated in or sponsored Clean Up Campaign? _____ Explain _____

Has Post participated in or sponsored Clean Air Program? _____ Explain _____

Has Post participated in or sponsored a Wild-Life Preservation Program? _____ Explain _____

Has Post participated in or sponsored Preservation of Wet Lands Program? _____ Explain _____

Has Post participated in or sponsored Earth Day? _____ Explain _____

Additional qualifying information:

Authorized Post Member

Post No. _____

Title

**2019
NOMINATION FORM
FOR**

JOHN W. CLARKE PLAQUE

BASIS OF AWARD: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post Service Officer who has serviced veterans and their dependents in a manner that has brought outstanding records of achievement in securing claims and benefits.

 NAME OF RECIPIENT _____ Post No. _____

1. How long has member been a Service Officer? _____
2. Has he/she been a representative of the SSM Fund registered with Fund Commission?

 If so how many years: _____.
3. Identify other activities in which the member has engaged such as VAVS, Hospital work, service with Community groups and others _____

4. How many days or hours are set aside each week by the member for servicing of veterans and their dependents? (If regular office hours, specify where & when): _____

5. Approximately how many hospital visits to sick members and other veterans are made per year? _____
6. Briefly describe how information is made available to members and non-members as to their entitlement to benefits and the procedures to be followed to obtain them.

7.

<u>CLAIMS</u>	<u># REFERRED</u>	<u># ADJUDICATED</u>
A. Soldier's, Sailor's, Marines Fund	_____	_____
B. Veterans pensions and widows pensions	_____	_____
C. Compensation of DIC benefits	_____	_____
D. Education benefits	_____	_____
E. Hospital and Medical care	_____	_____
F. TFA (Temporary Financial Assistance)	_____	_____
G. Other	_____	_____
8. Additional comments and remarks as are pertinent.

 Authorized Post Member

Post No. _____

 Title

2019
NOMINATION FORM

FOR

JOSEPH G. LEONARD PLAQUE

BASIS OF AWARD: Awarded annually **to the Post** whose Service Officer excelled in service work and engaging in or sponsoring Rehabilitation activities beneficial to veterans, dependents in their community during the preceding twelve (12) months commencing June 1st.

American Legion Post No. _____ of _____, Connecticut

The Service Officer is: _____

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Statement of activities to include any activities reasonably recognized as being related to Service work or Rehabilitation, but must include specific details supporting such conclusions. Examples of work should include duties as Post S.S.M. Fund Representative, Counseling, Guidance and assistance in preparation of claims for benefits available under laws administered by the V.A., Development of Medical-Hospital care and referrals to other local or state programs including The American Legion TFA program (additional pages of similar size paper may be used).

Authorized Post Member

Post No. _____

Title