

**Department Americanism Committee**  
**Americanism Awards**  
December 2016

The Americanism Awards has been updated for clarity on eligibility and the types of documentation needed for judging. By these revisions we hope that more Counties nominees will be submitted on the various categories. We feel that giving out the Americanism Award plaques to the respective winning departments, we are increasing the visibility of the American Legion and could help our membership growth.

We are looking towards the future by including some of the requirements from the American Legion National awards (currently Law Enforcement and Fireman of the Year Award). National's goals on these Americanism awards is to select a well-rounded nominee who has exceeded, above and beyond the duty requirements expected of their position and has demonstrated a distinct pattern of community service coupled with professional achievement. National judging is based on community service, professional career, heroism and documentation such as letters of recognition, newsletter clippings, etc. Documentation must show proof that the submission occurred during the specified period.

Here are some of the changes that have been made for each award:

- \* **Legionnaire Individual Awards** has been consolidated into two awards - Dept Distinguished Service and Dept Medal of Valor Award.
- \* **Post Awards** has been consolidated into two awards - Dept Community Service Post Award which requires a detailed Post report on the project/event being submitted and the Dept Americanism Post Award.
- \* We created a separate award - **First Responders Lifetime Achievement Award**. We moved the continuous service of the year award for firefighters and law enforcement officers from their original award to the new First Responders Lifetime Achievement award and submissions can also include nominees from the emergency medical services and unarmed public safety fields.
- \* **Law Enforcement of the Year Valor Award** consolidated the NJ Law Enforcement and NJ State Police into one award - individual or team from any law enforcement unit. Moved the continuous service award to the lifetime achievement award. In the event of a tie, we will consider the off-duty community service documentation that has been recognized by their respective department.
- \* **Firefighter of the Year Valor Award** - Moved the continuous service award to the lifetime achievement award. In the event of a tie, we will consider the off-duty community service documentation that has been recognized by their respective department.
- \* **Emergency Medical Services of the Year Award:**  
Revise the EMT/Team of the Year Award to include non-certified EMT members that are members of the EMT/First Aid Responder Squad Team and change the name to the Emergency Medical Services of the Year Award. In the event of a tie, we will consider the off-duty community service documentation that has been recognized by their respective department.
- \* **Unarmed Public Safety Personnel of the Year Valor Award** has been revised for better judging and has given more examples of qualified nominees. In the event of a tie, we will consider the off-duty community service documentation that has been recognized by their respective department.
- \* **Educator of the Year** has been expanded to include two awards - one award for the educator and the second award for a team of educators working together to promote Americanism programs to the students.

If your county's submission for any one of the Americanism awards has been selected the winner, we will need a short bio and picture of your candidate asap. Thank you.

Sherrylee Govoni, Chairman  
Department Americanism Committee

**Department Americanism Committee  
Legionnaire Individual Awards - 2016/2017  
December 2016**

**The following applies to the March 1, 2016 to February 28, 2017 time period only.**

At a meeting held December 10, 2016 in Trenton, the Department Executive Committee approved the recommendation of the Department Americanism Committee to: 1) Consolidate the Department Americanism Individual Awards from three awards - Dept Distinguished Service, Dept Medal of Valor and Special Heroism to two Individual awards - Dept Distinguished Service and the Dept Medal of Valor Awards.

**Department Distinguished Service Award - Individual Legionnaire:**

To be awarded to the Dept of NJ Legionnaire who perform the most distinguished service to the American Legion and the Community during the period mentioned above. No entry should be submitted based solely upon the duties as related to an elected or appointed office.

A written narrative report is required describing what the Legionnaire did to be eligible for this award. This report must be signed by the Post Commander or the Post Adjutant. Also required will be a letter from the Commander or Adjutant's explaining why the Legionnaire should be considered for this award. Additional recommendation letters written on behalf of the Legionnaire will also be accepted for documented evidence. Documented evidence can include newspaper articles, web-based articles, facebook excerpts and photos.

**Department Medal of Valor Award - Individual Legionnaire:**

To be awarded to the Legionnaire of the Department who had performed an exceptional deed of valor or heroism in the face of imminent danger during the period mentioned above. No entry should be submitted based solely upon the duties as related to an elected or appointed office.

Documented evidence in writing should cover the exceptional valor/heroism performed during the period. This report must be signed by the Post Commander or the Post Adjutant. Also required will be a letter from the Commander or Adjutant's explaining why the Legionnaire should be considered for this award. Additional recommendation letters written on behalf of the Legionnaire will also be accepted for documented evidence. Documented evidence can include newspaper articles, web-based articles, facebook excerpts and photos.

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Sherrylee Govoni, Chairman  
Department Americanism Committee

## **Department Americanism Committee**

### **Posts Awards - 2016/2017**

December 2016

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At a meeting held December 10, 2016 in Trenton, the Department Executive Committee approved the recommendation of the Department Americanism Committee to consolidate the Department Americanism Post Awards from four awards (Dept Community Service, Americanism, Combined Activities and the All Around Americanism Post Awards) to two Post awards (Dept Community Service and Dept Americanism Awards) and re-define the requirements for submissions for better judging and the possible future submission to National.

#### **Department Community Service Post Award:**

For this award, the Post selects one of their most outstanding community service projects that had members of their Post actively working in their community during the period mentioned above. This qualification could also relate to any disaster affecting the community at large. The community service project can be a joint endeavor project with the Sons of the American Legion and/or American Legion Auxiliary.

Each competing Post shall submit a written report covering the project/event during the period mentioned with the following: Project Name, Brief Description; Time Period of Project/Event; Number of Post Members Involved and their Names; If applicable, Legion Family Members Involved and their Names; Number of Service Hours Given; Amount of Money Spent (if any); Description of Donations (if any) given out and the Number of People who Benefitted from the Project. This report must be dated and signed by the Post Commander or the Post Adjutant, along with their letter explaining why the Post should be considered for this award. Documented evidence can include newspaper and/or web-based articles, recommendation and thank you letters, facebook excerpts and photos. A monetary donation can be part of the project but can not be the entire project.

#### **Department Americanism Post Award:**

To qualify for this award, the submission would be the Post's most outstanding all-around Americanism activities in the community during the period mentioned.

Each competing Post shall submit documented evidence such as newspaper articles, web-based articles, facebook excerpts, event programs and photos. Recommendation letters from the community and/or thank you letters will also be accepted for documented evidence. A narrative statement of the Post's Consolidated Report for the time period mentioned above will be considered. This narrative statement must be signed by the Post Commander or the Post Adjutant along with a letter explaining why they should be considered for this award.

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**Department Americanism Committee  
First Responders Lifetime Achievement Award - 2016/2017**

December 2016

**The following period applies to continuous service since starting the job thru February 28, 2017.**

At a meeting held December 10, 2016 in Trenton, the Department Executive Committee approved the recommendation of the Department Americanism Committee to create a stand alone lifetime achievement award which was previously included in the NJ Law Enforcement Officer and Firefighter of the Year Award.

This individual award will applied to any member of a First Responder Unit who is a well rounded professional member that has exceeded above and beyond the duty requirements of their position, exemplifies the virtues of professionalism and dedication and demonstrated a distinct pattern of community service to their community, state or nation above and beyond assigned duty requirements. The Dept Americanism Committee concurs with the National American Legion that such presentations help increase public respect and appreciation for the members of the first responders professions.

**First Responders Lifetime Achievement Award:**

Eligible recipients must be a US citizen, living, active, full-time, paid or volunteered first responder, who has performed one or more courageous act(s) in the performance of their duty during the period specified above:

- a. A First Responder can be a Law Enforcement Officer, Firefighter, Emergency Medical Services Member or Unarmed Public Safety Member who is fully recognized by a Municipal (City), County, District, State or Federal Departments residing and assigned for duty in the State of NJ. Not required to be a Veteran or an American Legion Member.
- b. The award will be for outstanding continuous service to the community, state or nation by the nominee in both on-duty and off-duty activities since starting on the job and leading up to the present period. Citations, awards, letters, etc must be part of the documentation supporting these acts of service.
- c. The nominee submission must include actions of heroism, safety or extraordinary performance in a real life situation rather than answering 100% of calls or participation in drills. An act of extreme compassion in a particular situation could also qualify for points towards the award.
- d. Judging Points: Community Service 35 points, Professional Career 40 points, Heroism 20 points and Letters of Recognition, news clippings and other substantiating documentation 5 points.
- e. The nominee will receive a medal and their Unit will receive a plaque to display on site.

Recommendation letters by the nominee's chain of command are required, as well as a letter from the Post explaining why the nominee should be considered for this award. Documented evidence can include citations, newspaper articles, web-based articles, facebook excerpts, recognition event programs, thank you letters and photos, etc. A portion of evidence must show proof that the submission occurred during the specified period.

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**Department Americanism Committee  
Law Enforcement of the Year Valor Award - 2016/2017**

December 2016

**The following applies to the March 1, 2016 to February 28, 2017 time period only.**

At a meeting held on January 22, 1983? in Trenton, the Department Executive Committee approved the recommendation of the Department Americanism Committee in creating a Law Enforcement Officers of the Year Award. The Department Americanism Committee concurs with the National American Legion that such presentations help increase public respect and appreciation for the members of the law enforcement profession and established three awards in this category: 1)The NJ Law Enforcement Officer of the Year for outstanding continuous service to the community since starting the job and leading up to the present time, 2)The NJ Law Enforcement Officer/Team Valor Award and 3)The NJ State Police Officer Award.

At a meeting held December 10, 2016 in Trenton, the Department Executive Committee approved the recommendation of the Department Americanism Committee to 1)remove the category of NJ Law Enforcement Officer of the year award for outstanding continuous service in the community and create a separate lifetime achievement award, 2)combine the NJ Law Enforcement and NJ State Police Award as one award category.

**Law Enforcement of the Year Valor Award (Individual or Team):**

Eligible recipients must be a US citizen, living, active, full-time and paid state certified law enforcement officers entrusted with full authority and the powers of arrest who has performed one or more courageous act(s) in the performance of their duty during the period specified above:

- a. The Law Enforcement Officer (team) must reside and be assigned to or fully recognized by a Municipal (City), County, District, State Police, Highway Patrol, Sheriff's office, US Marshall reside and assigned for duty in the State of NJ. Not required to be a Veteran or American Legion Member.
- b. The nominee (s) submission must be for actions of heroism, safety or extraordinary performance in a real life situation rather than answering 100% of calls or participation in drills.
- c. An act of extreme compassion in a particular situation could also qualify for the award.
- d. The nominee should be a well-rounded member who has exceeded above and beyond the duty requirements, demonstrated a distinct pattern of community service and professional achievement.
- e. Only one award will be given for this category. The nominee will receive a medal and their Unit will receive a plaque to display on site.

Recommendation letters by the nominees supervisor and Dept Chief are required, as well as, a letter from the Post explaining why they should be considered for this award. Documented evidence can include citations, newspaper articles, web-based articles, facebook excerpts, recognition event programs, thank you letters and photos, etc. A portion of evidence must show proof that the submission occurred during the specified period.

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Department Americanism  
Committee

**Department Americanism Committee  
Firefighter of the Year Valor Award - 2016/2017**

December 2016

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At a meeting held on January 22, 1983 in Trenton, the Department Executive Committee approved the recommendation of the Department Americanism Committee in creating a Firefighter of the Year Valor Award. The Department Americanism Committee concurs with the National American Legion that such presentations help increase public respect and appreciation for the members of the fire-fighting profession. **\*Note 1:** At a meeting held on October 19, 2002 in Trenton, the Dept Executive Committee approved the recommendation of the Dept Americanism Committee in creating a Firefighter of the year award for outstanding continuous service of a Firefighter to the community since starting the job leading up to the present time.

At a meeting held December 10, 2016 in Trenton, the Department Executive Committee approved the recommendation of the Department Americanism Committee to remove the category of Firefighter of the year award for outstanding continuous service in the community and create a separate lifetime achievement award.

**Firefighter of the Year Valor Award (Individual or Team):**

Eligible recipients will be an active career or volunteer member of the Firefighter (team) who has performed one or more courageous act(s) in the performance of their duty during the period specified above:

- a. The Firefighter (team) must be a US citizen and a certified, living, active, full-time, paid or volunteer firefighter who resides and is assigned to or fully recognized by a Municipal, County, District, State or Federal Firefighter in the State of NJ. Not required to be a Veteran or American Legion Member.
- b. The nominee/team submission must be for actions of heroism, safety or extraordinary performance in a real life situation rather than answering 100% of calls or participation in drills.
- c. An act of extreme compassion in a particular situation could also qualify for the award.
- d. The nominee should be a well-rounded member who has exceeded above and beyond the duty requirements, demonstrated a distinct pattern of community service and professional achievement.
- e. Only one award will be given for this category. The nominee will receive a medal and their Dept will receive a plaque to display on site.

Recommendation letters by the Firefighter (team) supervisor and Dept Chief are required, as well as a letter from the Post explaining why they should be considered for this award. Documented evidence can include citations, newspaper articles, web-based articles, facebook excerpts, recognition event programs, thank you letters and photos, etc. A portion of evidence must show proof that the submission occurred during the specified period.

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**Department Americanism Committee  
Emergency Medical Services of the Year Award - 2016/2017**

December 2016

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At a meeting held on April 22, 1998 in Trenton, the Department Executive Committee approved the recommendation of the Dept. Americanism Committee in creating the First Aid Member of the Year Award, Volunteer. The Dept. Americanism Committee feels that this award will increase public respect and appreciation for the members of the volunteer First Aid Units. **\*Note 1:** At a meeting held on August 26, 2000 in Trenton, it was recommended that the word Volunteer be eliminated from the First Aid Member of the Year Award. **\*\*Note 2:** At a meeting held on October 18, 2014 in Trenton, it was recommended that the title of "First Aid Member" be changed to be Emergency Medical Technician. **\*\*\* Note 3:** At a meeting held on October 17, 2015 in Trenton, it was recommended to expand this award to include teams or squads.

At a meeting held December 10, 2016 in Trenton, the Department Executive Committee approved the recommendation of the Department Americanism Committee to revise the EMT/Team of the Year Award to include non-certified EMT members that are members of the EMT/First Aid Responder Squad Team and change the name to the Emergency Medical Services of the Year Award.

**Emergency Medical Services of the Year Award (Individual or Team):**

Eligible recipients must be a certified, living, active, full-time, paid or volunteer member of the EMT/ First Aid Response Unit (EMTs, Paramedics, Drivers, etc) who has performed one or more courageous act(s) in the performance of their duty during the period specified above.

- a. Be a US citizen and assigned to or fully recognized by Municipal (City), County, District, State or Federal Unit within the State of NJ. Not required to be a Veteran or American Legion Member.
- b. The nominee or team submission must be for actions of heroism, safety or extraordinary performance in a real life situation rather than answering 100% of calls or participation in drills.
- c. An act of extreme compassion in a particular situation could also qualify for the award.
- d. The nominee should be a well-rounded EMS member who has exceeded above and beyond the duty requirements, demonstrated a distinct pattern of community service and professional achievement.
- e. Only one award will be given for this category. If an individual is selected, their Dept will also receive an award plaque to display on site.

A recommendation letter by the EMT/First Aid Response Unit Supervisor is required, as well as a letter from the Post explaining why the nominee or team should be considered for this award. Documented evidence can include citations, newspaper and web-based articles, facebook excerpts, recognition programs, thank you letters and photos. A portion of evidence must show proof that the submission occurred during the specified period.

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**Department Americanism Committee**  
**Unarmed Public Safety Personnel of the Year Valor Award - 2016/2017**

December 2016

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At a meeting held on December 10, 2016 in Trenton, the Department Executive Committee approved the recommendation of the Department Americanism Committee to rename the Unarmed Public Safety Personnel Dedicated Service and/or Valor Awards to the Unarmed Public Safety Personnel of the Year Valor Award and re-define the requirements for submissions for better judging.

**Unarmed Public Safety Personnel of the Year Valor Award:**

Eligible recipients must be an US citizen, living, active, full-time, paid or volunteer members who does not carry a firearm and has performed one or more courageous act(s) in the performance of their duty during the period specified above:

- a. The Unarmed Public Safety member must reside and assigned to or fully recognized by a Municipal (City), County, District, State, Federal or private agency in the State of NJ. Examples of eligible unarmed nominees would be: Civilian Emergency Response Team (CERT), 911 Dispatchers, fire/auxiliary police, security/prison guards, probation/parole officers, school crossing guards, Veterans Service Organization police units, etc. They are not required to be a Veteran or an American Legion Member.
- b. The nominee (s) submission must be for actions of heroism, safety or extraordinary performance in a real life situation rather than answering 100% of calls or participation in drills.
- c. An act of extreme compassion in a particular situation could also qualify for the award.
- d. The nominee should be a well-rounded member who has exceeded above and beyond the duty requirements, demonstrated a distinct pattern of community service and professional achievement.
- e. Only one award will be given for this category. The nominee will receive a medal and their Unit will receive a plaque to display on site.

Recommendation letters by nominees supervisor or chain of command are required, as well as, a letter from the Post explaining why they should be considered for this award. Documented evidence can include citations, newspaper articles, web-based articles, facebook excerpts, recognition event programs, thank you letters and photos, etc. A portion of evidence must show proof that the submission occurred during the specified period.

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**Department Americanism Committee  
Educator/School Team Educator of the Year Award - 2016/2017**

December 2016

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At a meeting held on April 2, 2005 in Trenton, the Department Executive Committee approved the recommendation of the Department Americanism Committee in creating the Educator of the Year Award. The Department Americanism Committee feels that this award will increase the awareness of dedication and work that Educators do in supporting the American Legion Programs.

At a meeting held December 10, 2016 in Trenton, the Department Executive Committee approved the recommendation of the Department Americanism Committee to expand the Educator of the Year Award to include a second award for a team of educators who are assigned to the same school.

**Educator of the Year Award:**

- a. An Educator being defined for this award includes teachers, teacher's aid, and administrators in any public, private or parochial school, who are actively employed in their profession. Teachers who home school students can also be considered for this award.
- b. The Educator will be judged on their leadership and participation in promoting American Legion Americanism programs, civic responsibility, flag etiquette and patriotism.
- c. Accomplishments of the Educator must be over and above their assigned duties.
- d. If an Educator is selected, their school will also receive a plaque with the Educator's name on it.

**School Team Educator of the Year Award:**

- a. School Team Educators are two or more Educators working together to promote Americanism programs to the students.
- b. The Team will be judged on their leadership and participation working together in promoting American Legion Americanism programs, civic responsibility, flag etiquette and patriotism.
- c. The School will receive the team award plaque listing all the Educators who won the award.

A recommendation letter by the Educator/School Team Educator's supervisor is required, as well as a letter from the Post explaining why the Educator(s) should be considered for this award. Documented evidence can include newspaper articles, web-based articles, facebook excerpts, event programs, thank you letters and photos. A portion of evidence must show proof that the submission occurred during the specified period.

Posts shall advise the school(s) of their judging deadline and will judge their own contest. The Post winner will be turned over to the respective County Americanism Chairman. The County will judge their own contest and only the County's First Place winner will be turned over to the Department Americanism Committee.

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### **Cover Sheet for Department Americanism Committee Awards**

\*This form is required to be completed for the submission of all Americanism Awards, excluding the coloring contest.

**Please Print or Type All Information. This form has to be legible for all to read.**

**Title of Award Being Sought:**

**Name, Title, Address and Phone Number of Candidate:**

(For Team Award Submission: List all Team Members information on the back of this form.)

**Name, Title, Address and Phone Number of Candidates Superior:** If multiple Superiors on Team Award - list them on back of this form. (Not needed for Post Awards)

**Name, Address and Phone Number of Sponsoring Post:**

**Name, Home Address and Phone number of Post Commander:**

**THIS FORM MUST ACCOMPANY EACH ENTRY BEING SUBMITTED AND STAPLED TO SAME AS THE COVER SHEET.** Entries not accompanied by this form will be disqualified.

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Date  
Commander

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County Americanism Chairman

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Or: County

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