

**Department Awards  
Taken out of Constitution & Bylaws 2013**

**A. Americanism**

1. Armitage Trophy – Best all around Americanism program. It must be a factual narrative of Unit accomplishments in Americanism for the entire year and should be simple and concise. Press notices and pictures pertinent to the entry may be inserted in a separate section following the narrative, but should not be part of the main narrative body.

2. Bender Trophy–Most outstanding Unit Americanism program conducted within the schools. Narrative report may be substantiated by publicity clippings.

Both of the above are traveling trophies and should be returned at the next Department Convention. Both are to be typewritten, using double spacing and one inch margins on 8 ½ by 11 inch paper, using one side of the sheet. A loose-leaf binder must be used for submission. No decorations or computer graphics should be used.

3. Americanism Essay Contests–The Department contests must include the National mandates to qualify for National judging. The Department Chairman may also set up separate contests to further her program for Department only. First place Unit entries in each class must be sent to the Department Chairman for judging.

**B. Chaplain**

1. Book of Prayers

Juniors – first place, second place.

Seniors, over 75 Unit membership–first place, second place;

under 75 Unit membership–first place, second place.

**C. Children and Youth**

1. For the best and most complete Children and Youth Program.

Awards for Units with 10-40 members, Units with 41-74 members, Units with 75-200 members and Units with 201 and over members.

2. Alice Norfleet Trophy

**D. Community Service**

1. Goppert Memorial Trophy–Traveling trophy to the Unit that has carried out the most outstanding Community Service project for the year. This is not an overall community service program, just one outstanding project. This trophy will become the permanent property of any Unit winning it for three consecutive years.

2. Best Community Service Report–Awards for Units with 10-40 members, Units with 41-74 members, Units with 75-200 members and Units with 201 and over members.

**E. Constitution and Bylaws**

1. Boam Traveling Award plaque–For the best Unit Chairman report on the study of Department and Unit Constitution and Bylaws. Must be typewritten in narrative form, no limit on number of words.

**F. Efficiency Citations**

1. Given to all Units achieving 90% or over in efficiency.

**G. Field Service - As of June 2016 no longer Department Awards**

1. Seaman Plaque – To encourage Units to do more Community Service for veterans. Write a narrative account of Unit's Rehabilitation activities in the Community. Do not include Child Welfare. Include news items if possible. Report must be signed by Unit President and Unit Chairman. It is to

be "Community Activity" not VA Hospital work.

2. Pauline Dyrland Memorial Trophy—Presented to an outstanding Field Service worker. Units are to submit a report, typewritten in narrative form, not to exceed 750 words.

## **H. History**

1. Citations to all Units submitting their annual histories to the Department Historian. For the best History: Senior—Unit under 75 members, Unit over 75 members. Juniors—must be written by a Junior member and first place only is given.

## **I. Junior Activities**

1. Americanism—listed under Americanism
2. Junior History awards—rules sent to Unit President, listed under History
3. Memory Book—Junior Scrapbook—first and second place awards.
4. Andrews Memorial Trophy—Best all-around Junior activity report.
5. Traveling Bell—for the best Americanism program conducted in the Junior Unit during the year.
6. Handwork—as directed in the Junior Handbook, as printed by National. The National directives and Department Chairman's directives must be followed. The handwork must be submitted to the District Vice-President for judging. Awards are made to the first place in each class and in each contest.

## **J. Membership**

1. Van Dyke Cup – First District to reach goal.
2. Whiteaway Trophy—to the Unit with the greatest percentage over goal for the previous year, to be calculated May 31<sup>st</sup>
3. Earl Wright Memorial Trophy—to the Unit having reached goal describing the method used in a letter, goal by January 31<sup>st</sup>, of how dues were collected. Entries will be judged by the Department President, the Department Secretary-Treasurer and the Department Membership Chairman.
4. Leda White Memorial Trophy—Largest percent of increase in Junior Membership.
5. Department Citations—to all Units having reached goal by December 31<sup>st</sup>.
6. National President's Citation—to all Units having reached goal by January 31<sup>st</sup>.
7. Goal Ribbons

## **K. National Security**

1. Personal award established by Department Chairman.

## **L. Past Presidents Parley**

1. An engraved award from the Past Presidents Parley committee.

## **M. Poppy**

1. Poster awards—in each of the classes—first, second and third places. Only winning posters (first Place) from each District will be judged at Department level. Rules as National directs.
2. Miss Poppy Contest—first and second place in two categories: ages 6-10 and 11-15.  
All Poppy entries are sent to the District Vice-Presidents for judging. First place entries are sent to the Department Poppy Chairman.

## **N. Public Relations**

Directives from National and Department—Publicity Book:

Daily Newspaper	\$10.00 first place	\$7.00 second place	\$5.00 third place
Semi-weekly	\$10.00 first place	\$7.00 second place	\$5.00 third place

Weekly                    \$10.00 first place    \$7.00 second place    \$5.00 third place

Other—no newspaper available, use own means of publicity:  
                              \$10.00 first place    \$7.00 second place    \$5.00 third place

Unit entries for Publicity Books are to be sent to the District Vice-President for judging at Spring Conference. Public Relations Chairman receives first place winner from each District. Articles for Publicity Books should be taken from only one (the same) newspaper for the entire year of publicity.

**O. Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation**

Best Year-End Report-

Unit with up to 50 members	\$10.00 1 <sup>st</sup>	\$7.00 2 <sup>nd</sup>	\$5.00 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Unit with 51-125 members	\$10.00 1 <sup>st</sup>	\$7.00 2 <sup>nd</sup>	\$5.00 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Unit with 126 and over	\$10.00 1 <sup>st</sup>	\$7.00 2 <sup>nd</sup>	\$5.00 3 <sup>rd</sup>