

2012 THE AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT AWARDS PRESENTATION

AMERICANISM

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; Boy Scouts; 4-H Club; Baseball; S.A.L.; Junior sponsored Music and similarly sponsored work), with the total accomplishments in any or all of these programs to govern the award. **Awarded to Naugatuck Post 17 (small post); Kiltonic Post 72, Southington (large post)**

THE JOHN J. FEEGEL PLAQUE: Awarded annually to that Post sponsoring the winner of the current year's Department Oratorical Contest. **Awarded to Anderson-Hoxsie Post No. 103, Westbrook, sponsor of Sarah Luft.**

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 2012 session. **Awarded to Benson-Flugel Post No. 111, sponsor of Mitchell Cremers.**

THE ARTHUR E. DALY PLAQUE: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post within the Department whose accomplishments toward all phases of Americanism is proven to be outstanding and who has taken part in aiding the curtailment of un-American groups and their subversive activities within their respective communities. **Awarded to Gensi-Viola Post No. 36, Windsor Locks**

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. **Awarded to Gensi-Viola Post No. 36, Windsor Locks**

THE EDWARD H. LYNCH, JR. PLAQUE: Awarded annually to the American Legion Post who is the sponsor of the Department Americanism Award recipient. **Awarded to Hughson-Miller Post No. 71, West Haven.**

THE EARLE S. CROOKS PLAQUE: Awarded to that American Legion Post sponsoring the most candidates to American Legion Boys' State on a percentage of Post's current membership. **Awarded to Peter Gallan Post No. 104, Taftville (11.84%)**

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. **Awarded to Frank C. Godfrey, Post No. 12, Norwalk**

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. **Awarded to Naugatuck, Post No. 17**

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. **Awarded to Sutter-Terlizzi Post No. 16, Shelton**

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. **No Award**

THE WILLIAM MAGER PLAQUE: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post sponsoring the MOST UNUSUAL program in the field of Children & Youth. **Awarded to Kiltonic, Post No. 72, Southington**

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 to the 5th District with 81.25%**

THE JOSEPH F. MARDU PLAQUE: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post sponsoring the most outstanding School Awards Program as an Americanism endeavor. **Awarded to Benson-Flugel Post No. 111, Woodstock.**

THE JOHN S. BABES PLAQUE: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post which sponsors the boy selected as Governor of the current session of Boys' State. **Awarded to the 4th District, sponsor of Jason Maulucci.**

THE ELIOTT 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 to Hamden Post No. 88, sponsor of Aedan Gould.**

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 to the 1st District, sponsor of Roberto Sanchez.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

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. **Awarded to Kiltonic Post No. 72, Southington**

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. **No award**

THE LEWIS E. WALLER PLAQUE: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post having shown the greatest participation and work in caring for the homeless veteran. **No award**

THE MORRIS L. ROBIN PLAQUE: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post which has contributed the most through its membership or the post itself in the field of Law and Order pertaining to juvenile delinquency and the control of drugs. **No Award**

THE LEO M. HINDSLEY PLAQUE: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post having the best overall Community Service Program in their community. **Awarded to: (Large Post) Sutter-Terlizzi Post No. 16, Shelton; (Small Post) Benson-Flugel Post No. 111, Woodstock**

THE EVERETT G. SHEPARD, III PLAQUE: Awarded annually to the sponsor of the winner of the Dept. Commander's award at The American Legion State Police Youth Week. **No Award**

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 Miracle Network Hospital. **Awarded to Denise Naklick (employee of Post 113, Old Saybrook).**

THE DEPARTMENT BASEBALL AWARD: Awarded annually to that Post which shall sponsor the Baseball Team winning the Department Championship of the preceding year. **Awarded to Frank C. Godfrey Post No. 12, Norwalk**

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 Department and the Community for performance in the field of public safety, Children & Youth, Community Awareness Projects and participation in Patriotic Observances.

City of Groton Fire Department – nominated by Groton Post 114

ANNUAL POLICE DEPARTMENT OF THE YEAR AWARD: Awarded annually to that Police Department of any town or city that brings credit to that Department for performance in the field of Children & Youth, Drug Education, Community Awareness Projects and participation in Patriotic Observances.

Shelton Police Department – nominated by Sutter-Terlizzi Post No. 16, Shelton

INDIVIDUAL

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 years activities. **Awarded to Barry Albert of Gensi-Viola Post No. 36, Windsor Locks. Honorable Mention to Ludwig Spokas of Ibell-Jacobson-Smith Post 61, Deep River.**

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.

No Award

THE H. DAVID SMITH PLAQUE (1) : Awarded annually to the Department “SPOTER” Junior Shooter Champion . **No Award**

THE H. DAVID SMITH PLAQUE (2) : Awarded annually to the Department “PRECISION” Junior Shooter Champion. **No Award**

THE WILLIAM J. LUCAS PLAQUE: Awarded annually to the boy elected as Governor of the current session of Boys’ State. **Awarded to Jason Maulucci, sponsored by the 4th District**

THE GEORGE R. WHITE, JR. MEMORIAL AWARD: To be awarded to the outstanding Pitcher of the Department Baseball Tournament. **Awarded to Leon Fleming of Norwalk**

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 to Chris Brown of Norwalk**

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 to Sarah Ann Luft of Westbrook**

THE HERBERT L. EMANUELSON PLAQUE: Awarded annually to the individual Legionnaire who has rendered the most outstanding contributions to Community Service. **No Award**

THE RICHARD Wm. ANDERSON PLAQUE: Awarded annually to that 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. **No Award**

THE EDWARD J. CARNEY, JR. PLAQUE: Awarded annually to the Legionnaire recruiting the most *NEW* Legionnaires in the current Legion year, (July1-June1), as verified by the Post and the Department Adjutant.

No Award

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. **No Award**

THE PETER LOUX “SERGEANT-AT-ARMS OF THE YEAR” AWARD: Awarded to Post, District or Department Sergeant-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. **Awarded to Angelo Della Camera, Hughson-Miller Post 71 Sgt-at-Arms**

THE ARTHUR ST. JOHN PLAQUE: Awarded annually to the individual SAL member who has been nominated for and is recognized as the most Outstanding Son in a Squadron of The Sons of The American Legion for the current year. **Awarded to David La Bouliere, nominated by Kiltonic Post No. 72, Southington**

THE BOYD SAXTON PLAQUE: Awarded annually to the Post or District Chaplain who has exhibited spiritual guidance and performed the most duties of their office. **Awarded to 5th District Chaplain Joe Barry, nominated by Post No. 128, Niantic; and Post Chaplain Edward Bukoski, Emil Senger Post No. 10**

THE NEALE V. CABRAL PLAQUE: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post Adjutant who according to the Department Awards Committee has served in an outstanding manner in performing his or her duties. **Awarded to Bernard Williamson, nominated by John H. Collins Post No. 24**

THE LOUIS E. MOLINARO PLAQUE: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post Commander who according to the Department Awards Committee has been chosen as the most outstanding Post Commander of the current year. **Awarded to Sandra Spedaliere, nominated by Lebanon Post No. 180**

THE E. GUY MILLER PLAQUE: Awarded annually to the District Sr. Vice-Commander who actively promotes membership within his District and the Department. **Awarded to 5th District Senior Vice-Commander Timothy Yuhas**

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 to 5th District Commander Paul Spedaliere**

JOHN C. LaFONTAINE PLAQUE to the “Fire Fighter or Emergency Services Person of the Year”: Awarded annually to that member of any Volunteer, Call or Paid Fire Department 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. **Awarded to Peter Kurtz of Southington Fire Department, nominated by Kiltonic Post No. 72, Southington**

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF THE YEAR: Awarded to the Law Enforcement Officer meeting the criteria as set forth by National Headquarters of The American Legion. **Awarded to SGT Robert Wilson, Southington Police Department, nominated by Kiltonic Post No. 72**

MEMBERSHIP.

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 to Rivers-Janowicz, Post No. 138, Bozrah**

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 to La Flamme-Kusek, Post No. 15, Jewett City**

THE MORGAN B. HAVEN AWARD: Awarded to that American Legion Post which has the greatest percentage of its previous year's membership renewed by January 1st. **Awarded to Seicheprey Post No. 2, Bristol**

THE HOWARD I. JACOBS PLAQUE (1): Awarded annually to that American Legion Post of over 500 memberships which on Christmas day has the greatest numerical membership in the Department of Connecticut. **Awarded to Seicheprey Post No. 2, Bristol**

THE HOWARD I. JACOBS PLAQUE (2): Awarded annually to that American Legion Post having membership of 300 to 500 which on Christmas day has the greatest numerical membership in the Department of Connecticut. **Awarded to Hayes-Velhage Post No. 96, West Hartford**

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 to Seicheprey Post No. 2, Bristol**

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 to Emil Senger, Post No. 10, Seymour**

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 to Middlefield-Rockfall, Post No. 192, Middlefield**

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 to Montville Post No. 112, with 32 new members.**

THE ELIOTT N. MORRIS PLAQUE (1): Awarded annually to that American Legion Post of over 500 membership which on the closing day of the Mid-Winter Conference has the greatest percentage of Quota into Department. **Awarded to Seicheprey Post No. 2, Bristol (86.1%)**

THE ELIOTT N. MORRIS PLAQUE (2): Awarded annually to that American Legion Post of 200 to 500 membership which on the closing day of the Mid-Winter Conference has the greatest percentage of Quota into Department. **Awarded to Sutter-Terlizzi Post No. 16, Shelton (91.0%)**

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 to Lebanon Post No. 180**

THE WILLIAM J. RICH PLAQUE: Awarded to the District Senior Vice Commander whose dedication and performance led his District to meet the most target dates to reach District Goal. **No Award**

THE FRANK H. BUTTERWORTH PLAQUE: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post showing the greatest numerical gain in membership over the previous year. **Awarded to Billy Peterson, Post No. 165, Wolcott**

POST ACTIVITIES

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 the time the Department Convention adjourns and the subsequent June 1st. **Large Post: Awarded to Kiltonic Post No. 72, Southington**
Small Post: Awarded to Emil Senger, Post No. 10, Seymour

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. **Awarded to Gensi-Viola Post No. 36, Windsor Locks.**

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. **No award.**

THE CHARLES E. HAAS PLAQUE: Awarded annually to the American Legion Post who has demonstrated the most in assistance to needy children, especially at holiday time. **No Award**

THE DEPARTMENT ADJUTANT'S PLAQUE: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post which published the most outstanding photocopied Post Publication. **Awarded to Joseph W. Tarrant, Jr. Memorial Post No. 100, Bethel – Rene Concepcion Editor**

THE GEORGE D. BARON PLAQUE: Awarded annually to the American Legion Post which prepares and sends to its members the most newsworthy printed bulletins or papers. **No Award**

JAMES A. LACOURSIERE, JR. AWARD: Awarded to the post that best involves itself in the Heroes to Hometown (H2H), the Troop Support Services (TS2), and/or the Reconnect Program. **Awarded to Kiltonic Post No. 72, Southington**

THE ANDREW BARYLSKI, JR. PLAQUE: Awarded annually to the post that keeps PDC Barylski's Commander's Project alive by making the greatest per capita contribution to the Connecticut National Guard Foundation, Inc. **Awarded to Naugatuck Post No. 17**

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 Boy Scouts Program. **No Award**

THE CHET D. HIRSCH PLAQUE: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post which sponsors the best program in environmental ecology. **Awarded to Hughson-Miller Post No. 71, West Haven.**

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. **No Award**

THE MILTON E. MORITZ PLAQUE: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post sponsoring the Troop of the Eagle Scout chosen as Scout of the Year. **No Award**

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. **No Award**

VETERANS AFFAIRS & REHABILITATION

THE JOHN W. CLARKE PLAQUE: Awarded annually to that American Legion Post whose Service Officer shall have serviced veterans and their dependents in a manner that has brought outstanding records of achievement in securing claims and benefits. **Awarded to John H. Collins Post No. 24, Derby; Andrew Cota, Service Officer**

THE JOSEPH G. LEONARD PLAQUE: Awarded annually to the Post Service Officer excelling in Service Work and engaging in or sponsoring Rehabilitation activities beneficial to veterans and dependents in their community during the preceding twelve (12) months commencing June 1st. **Awarded to Rafael Delvalle, Jr., Seicheprey Post No. 2, Bristol**

THE RAYMOND R. BIGELOW PLAQUE: Awarded annually to the Post doing the most to promote the VAVS and RHHS programs in the VA Medical Centers and Rocky Hill. **Awarded to Kiltonic Post No. 72, Southington**

LEGIONNAIRE OF THE YEAR AWARD

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. **Awarded to William J. Czmyr Jr. of LaFlamme-Kusek Post 15, Jewett City; nominated by Lebanon Post No. 180.**