

## **DEPT OF PA MCL AWARDS PROGRAMS:**

### **AMERICANISM PROGRAM**

All awards will be based on events during the period 1 June through 31 May. Detachments will be competing for awards based on their June strength of the previous convention. Competition will be in three (3) categories.

Category - 1 - Strength 15 to 50 Members - Platoon size.

Category - 2 - Strength 51 to 100 Members - Company size.

Category - 3 - Strength 101 and Over - Battalion size.

Awards: Plaques for first and second place in each category and certificates for third place.

Newly formed Detachments will compete under category one (1). Participating Detachments are required to fill out the Americanism and Achievement Questionnaire and Criteria, and submit Scrapbook with pictures/activities. Questionnaire and Scrapbooks will be sent to the Americanism Chairman prior to the Convention. Receiving date will be established each year.

Note: Scrapbooks can be hand carried to the convention, and will be returned following the convention.

Scrapbook Criteria:

Items that are suggested for the Scrapbook: Installations - Marine Corps Birthday - Parades - Memorial & Veterans Day - VAVS - Toys for Tots, and other community events.

### **VETERANS ADMINISTRATION VOLUNTARY SERVICE**

Quantity and Quality of the Detachment's VAVS program, will be based on written reports submitted to the VAVS Chairman. Quarterly reports must be submitted to the Chairman in order to receive monetary reimbursement from the Department in accordance with the approved budget. Annual report to be *submitted* by 1 June of each year. Plaque for first place and certificates for second and third place recipients in each category.

### **MEMBERSHIP AWARDS**

Based on membership percentage increase during the period between conventions. Transmittals are the only report required. The Department Paymaster and the Awards Chairman co-ordinate this award. Plaque for first place in each category. Certificates to all other over 125%. Streamers will be awarded to all Detachments 100% or more. The Neidig/Yaukey Membership Award will be given through the Landis *McCleaf* Detachment, and is based on the first Detachment achieving 90% or better of their membership from the previous year.

### **RECRUITER OF THE YEAR**

The member who recruits the most new and or reinstated members during the period 1 June through 31 May of the following year. Written nominations must be submitted by the Detachment listing the new and or reinstated members recruited, with sponsor's name. The nomination will be certified by the Detachment's Adjutant and/or Paymaster. Plaques will be awarded to the first, *second* and third top recruiters. Certificates will be awarded *to those* members recruiting down to five or more new/reinstated members. Nominations must be submitted to the Department Sr. Vice Commandant by 1 June each year.

## **NEWSLETTER AWARD**

Recognition will be made for the best Newsletter, with second and third place runners-up. Certificates will be issued to those Detachments who send out a minimum of six different Newsletters during the period between the annual Department conventions. Copies are to be sent to the Department Commandant, Sr. Vice Commandant and Public Affairs Officer. Recognition will be made for the best Editor of the Newsletter, with second and third place runners-up.

## **SPECIAL AWARDS**

Fred A. Agosta Staff Award - To be presented to a member of the Board of Trustees who, in the opinion of the Department Commandant, has contributed most effectively to the goals and programs of the Department of Pennsylvania during the immediate past year. Shall be selected by the Department Commandant.

Fred Agosta Appointed Staff Officer Award - To be presented to the Department Appointed Staff Officer who, in the opinion of the Department Commandant, has contributed most effectively to the goals and programs of the Department of Pennsylvania during the immediate Past Year. Shall be selected by the Department Commandant.

## **SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS**

The Eligibility requirements will be sent out through the Department's mailing list each year by 1 February. Students and only students may submit a request for an application, by writing direct to the Scholarship Chairman after 1 February. Complete applications must be returned to the Scholarship Chairman by 31 May.

## **TENURE PROGRAM**

The Tenure award program is to recognize years of membership of each member of the Department. Certificates may be obtained through the Department Quartermaster. Detachments may issue certificate to their members signed by the Detachment Sr. Vice Commandant. An 8"x10" plaque will be awarded by the Department, at its annual Convention, to those members who have been nominated for such award and have been a member in good standing and who have completed 25 years of service in the League. A 9"x12" plaque will be awarded by the Department, at its annual Convention, to those members who have been nominated for such award and have been a member in good standing and who have completed 50 years of service in the League. A 10"x13" plaque will be awarded by the Department, at its annual Convention, to those members who have been nominated for such award and have been a member in good standing and who have completed 75 years of service in the League. All such nominations must be submitted to the Department Sr. Vice Commandant, on the appropriate form, signed by the Detachment Commandant and Adjutant/Paymaster, by June 1 of the awarding year.