



Past Presidents Parley Guide 2018-2019

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Mission:

The Mission of the Past Presidents Parley Committee is to utilize the experience and knowledge of past Auxiliary Leaders for the training and encouragement of future Auxiliary Leaders. Through the Past Presidents Parley Committee, the women who have served as Unit, Department and National Presidents can continue in active service to the Auxiliary to help ensure a strong leadership future for the organization. The Past Presidents Parley also recognizes and honors female veterans and presents the Salute to Servicewomen Award.

Unit Member of the Year:

To recognize the contributions made by a valued unit member who never held an office higher than unit president. It celebrates and recognizes those members who quietly work the mission of the American Legion Auxiliary. Select one member to compete for the Department Unit Member of the Year award by researching the criteria within your Department and making a nomination and honor her within the Unit. Encourage other Units to participate. The Department winning Unit Member of the Year will be recognized at National Convention.

- **Unit Member of the Year Award Criteria:**

1. Only senior members in good standing are eligible.
2. Current membership dues must be paid.
3. The member cannot have obtained an elected or appointed leadership role than that of Unit President.
4. Selection is based on accomplishments, activities, etc., for the current administrative year.
5. Years of membership are not part of the criteria; the nominee may be a new member.
6. Each Department may submit only one entry to National.
7. The Unit must submit a narrative of 1,000 words or less describing the nominee's accomplishments and activities together with the nominee's name and address. The Unit President and Secretary must sign the entry form unless the nominee is one of them, in which case a Past Unit President must sign the entry form.
8. All entries must be postmarked by April 1st, 2019.

Submit entries to:

American Legion Department of Michigan Auxiliary
C/O Nancy Knox
212 N. Verlinden
Lansing, MI 48915
Or email to: nlknox1951@att.net

Nursing Scholarships:

To assist deserving students who are pursuing the education in the nursing field. Undertake funding efforts to provide scholarship benefits to individuals entering and attending nursing training. Develop resources to provide financial aid information for nursing students.

Salute to Servicewomen:

The Past Presidents Parley will continue to recognize the military service of female personnel, including the National Guard and Reserve components, representing each branch of service at the National Convention.

- **Salute to Servicewomen Award Criteria:**

1. Nominees should be on active duty or reserves and willing to attend the National Convention in Indianapolis, IN., if possible. A brief narrative of their Military Service should be included with the entry.
2. The nominating person or the servicewoman writes a narrative (750 words or less) or creates a YouTube video (3 minutes or less, under 2GB) that shows the nominated servicewoman demonstrating exemplary service both in and out of uniform making the future face of women in the military.
3. Entry must include nominee's name, address, Unit name and number and the signature of the Unit President or Past Presidents Parley Chairman.
4. One applicant for each branch of service (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines and Coast Guard (including National Guard and Reserve components of each branch).
5. **Units:** Submit your entries by March 30, 2019 to your District Chairman.
6. **Districts:** Submit your entry with the **Green Slip** by April 15, 2019 to:
American Legion Department of Michigan Auxiliary
C/O Nancy Knox
212 N. Verlinden
Lansing, MI 48915
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Department Award

Trudy Anderson Memorial Citation:

For the most outstanding Parley report submitted in essay form (500-1000 words) to the District Chairman by March 30, 2019. The District Chairman is to send the winning entry from the District to Department Chairman Nancy Knox by April 15, 2019 with the **Green Slip**.

What is the program and why do we have it?

The purpose of the Past Presidents Parley (PPP) committee is to utilize the experience and knowledge of past Auxiliary Leaders for training and encouragement of future Auxiliary Leaders. Through the Past Presidents Parley committee, women who have served as Unit, Department and National Presidents have an opportunity to continue in active service to the Auxiliary. This helps ensure a strong leadership for the organization. The Past Presidents Parley also recognizes and honors outstanding Unit members through Unit Membership of the Year, and female Veterans through the Salute to Servicewomen Awards. Past Presidents Parley and the 2014-2019 ALA Centennial Strategic Plan: Designed to help Auxiliary women who have served as Unit, Department, or National Presidents, members of this committee model civility, loyalty and service before self as they actively work to build a strong future for the organization. (Goal 2, Goal 3 and Goal 4).

Past Presidents Parley Awards Deadlines and Submission Requirements:

Taking the time to share a favorite story about the positive impact you or someone you know has had on our mission is worth doing! It helps us tell the world who we are, what we do and why we matter. Just three simple steps to add your part to our national success story:

1. Please follow instructions as you fill out the National Report and Awards Cover Sheet found in the awards section of the Programs Action Plan.
2. Provide details/examples about the activity as outlined in the award's materials and guidelines section.
3. Submit as indicated in the Annual Supplement to the Programs Action Plan. National Report and Awards Cover Sheet, deadlines and PPP committee. Contact information may be found on the PPP committee page on the national website: www.ALAforVeterans.org.

Member Award: Unit Member of the Year

Deadline: June 1, 2019

Must submit Unit Member of the Year Award Form available for download on the PPP page on the national website. Send to PPP Committee Member Nancy Brown-Park postmarked or e-mailed by 5 p.m. EST on the deadline listed above.

National Award:

Deadline: June 1, 2019

Must submit Salute to Servicewomen Award Nomination Form available for download on the PPP page on the national website. Send to National Past Presidents Parley Chairman Jan Pulvermacher-Ryan post-marked or emailed by 5 p.m. EST on the deadline listed above.

Past Presidents Parley Reporting:

An annual report is not required; however, an annual summary and a mid-year progress report are suggested as tools to gauge the direction and effectiveness of department activities. Both narratives should be forwarded to the National Past Presidents Parley Chairman Jan Pulvermacher-Ryan.