



Past Presidents Parley
American Legion Auxiliary
Department of Florida
2018-2019 Program Action Plan

Purpose:

The purpose of the Past Presidents Parley Committee is to utilize the expertise and knowledge of Past Auxiliary Leaders that served in the Unit, Department and/or on National levels for training and encouragement of future Auxiliary members. This gives the past leaders the opportunity to continue in active service to the Auxiliary.

Programs and Activities:

All Past Presidents should be encouraged to guide and mentor Unit members using their knowledge and experience. Helping new members learn about the Auxiliary's mission and programs.

How to mentor a new member:

- Offer to escort a new member to your meeting.
- Introduce her to the president as well as other members in attendance. Ask her to share a little about herself. The information could be helpful in determine in which committee she may have the greatest interest. Have each attendee introduce herself to the membership.
- Have committee chairs explain their program. Explain the duties of the officers, the chairmen and the committee members.

- Help maintain a positive attitude and assist in avoiding controversy during the meeting. Interject some occasional humor to help make the meeting fun.
- A prospective member is more likely to join if she feels she is joining an organization that is fun and whose activities support the community. Keep meetings short and interesting.
- Evaluate your new members capabilities so you can help her work on a program.
- Encourage them to get involved in the unit.
- Continue to support through your ongoing leadership.
- Be available to answer questions.
- Give her a New Members Kit (can be downloaded online at Department of Florida's website)

The Jackpot Award – The Best Past Presidents Parley Program narrative submitted will receive a Plaque from the Department Chairman, Carol Pirone-Udell.

Criteria:

- A narrative with no more than 700 words highlighting what your unit did for the Past Presidents Parley program.
- The unit must submit both Mid-Year and Year End Reports.

Note: I will recognize each unit that participated in the Past Presidents Parley program and reported..

Helen Gardner Unit Member of the Year Award

To recognize the contributions made by a hardworking and dedicated Unit Member that goes above and beyond to contribute to a program or project for the current year.

Criteria for the Award

- Only senior members in good standing are eligible.
- Current membership dues must be paid.
- She will not have served in a leadership role higher than Unit President but she does not have to have served as Unit President
- Selection should be based on the contributions the member had made thru one program or project for the current year.
- Years of membership do not matter – she may be a new member.
- Only one entry from each Unit is to be submitted.
- The name and address of the person selected by the Unit together with a narrative of not more than 1000 words describing your nominee's work and achievement for the current year is to be received by the Department President no later than thirty (30) days prior to Department Convention.
- Unit entry is to be signed by the Unit President and Unit Secretary.

Nursing Scholarships.

There are numerous ways to provide Nursing Scholarships in your area. You can contact your local colleges that have a nursing program and find out if

there is a student in need. A scholarship for an individual could pay for her books and essentials.

There are also endowments that could be sent to a Nursing School to help them give out scholarships. Contact one of the schools in your area to find out what programs they have for donations.

See Resource page for Nursing Schools throughout Florida attached.

Remember the funds for Nursing Scholarships are sent directly to the school.

Honoring Active Servicewomen

A special focus of the Parley is serving active duty servicewomen. Each branch of service will be recognized by Department and at National Conventions through nominations as follows:

Rules for honoring Active Duty Servicewomen:

1. Nominees should be on active duty and willing to attend Department and National Conventions.
2. A narrative by the nominating person of the servicewomen not to exceed 750 words, or You Tube Video (3 minutes or less) must accompany the nomination form that shows the nominated servicewomen demonstrated exemplary service both in and out of uniform, making her the future face of women in the military.
3. Entry must have the nominee's name and address Unit name and number, contact information for the servicewomen, and the signature of both the Unit President and Unit Secretary.
4. One applicant for each branch of service (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, the Reserves, and National Guard) per unit.
5. Final selection will be forwarded to the National Chairman for consideration of a National Award.

Servicewomen in need:

Past President's Parley helps veterans in many ways with:

1. Items needed for re-entry into the work force such as clothing, a computer, etc.
2. By helping them establish temporary or permanent housing for themselves and their children.
3. Each unit is encouraged to adopt a veteran by paying the Legion and Auxiliary dues for them so that they can continue to be part of the military family.
4. By continuing to recognize their vital roles in serving our nation's military.
5. ***Poppy funds may be allocated to the Parley Committee, as such funds are used solely for the direct welfare of ex-servicewomen.***

Resources:

Nursing Programs affiliated with VA Hospitals

Bay Pines

St. Petersburg College

University of South Florida

University of Central Florida

Lake City

Gateway College

Miami

Florida International University

Tampa

University of South Florida

Gainesville

University of South Florida

University of Central Florida

West Palm

Florida Atlantic

Palm Beach State College

Forms Included:

Application for Unit Member of the Year award.

Application for Salute to Servicewomen Award

Remember Reporting is essential to our programs:

Reports are Due as follows:

Mid-Year Reports: A progress report of year to date activity.

- **Unit Reports to District by December 1, 2018**
- **District Reports to Department by December 15, 2018**

Year-End Reports: A Summary of What was done during the year for this program.

- **Unit Reports to District by April 1, 2019**
- **District Reports to Department by April 15, 2019**

Department Chairman

Carol Pirone-Udell

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Past Presidents Parley Committee

SALUTE TO SERVICEWOMEN AWARD NOMINATION FORM

Established in 2003, this award has evolved from honoring women veterans to honoring women who are currently serving our country in the U.S. Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, and Coast Guard – including the National Guard and Reserve components of each branch.

One servicewoman from each branch of service will be recognized at the American Legion Auxiliary National Convention. Recipients attend the National Convention as guests of the Auxiliary.

Nomination Criteria:

- A woman currently serving in the U.S. Armed Forces (includes National Guard/Reserve).
- A written narrative or YouTube video that demonstrates exemplary service both in and out of uniform, making her the face of women in the military.
- Servicewoman must be willing to be a guest of the Auxiliary and speak to the general assembly of the American Legion Auxiliary National Convention.
- All nomination forms must be submitted by June 1, 2019.

Next Steps:

- The nominating person or the servicewoman writes a narrative (750 words or less) or creates a YouTube video (3 minutes or less) that shows the nominated servicewoman demonstrating exemplary service both in and out of uniform, making her the face of women in the military.
- The following form must be completed and submitted by June 1, 2019, to National Chairman Jan Pulvermacher-Ryan. Written narratives should be attached. YouTube video links should be pasted in the box provided on the following form.

YouTube Video Checklist

If you choose to submit a video, please be sure to check that your video:

- does not contain any copyrighted music, video, images or text (not legally owned)
- is not set to "private;" your video must be public.
- is under 2GB in size
- is in .AVI, .MOV, .WMV, or .MPG file formats
- is 3 minutes or less in length

Servicewoman's Name:	
Servicewoman's Email:	
Servicewoman's Phone Number:	
Servicewoman's Branch of Service:	
Servicewoman's Rank:	
Servicewoman's Date of Enlistment:	
Servicewoman's Awards and Decorations, <i>if any</i> :	
Name of Person Making this Nomination, <i>if not the nominee</i> :	
Email of Person Making this Nomination, <i>if not the nominee</i> :	
Phone Number of Person Making this Nomination, <i>if not the nominee</i> :	
Is the servicewoman able to attend National Convention?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Is the servicewoman comfortable with public speaking?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Written Narrative: 1) please attach separate document to this form. 2) or type narrative directly into the box to the right.	
YouTube Video: copy and paste your video link in the box to the right.	

Return completed nomination form to Past Presidents Parley National Chairman: Jan Pulvermacher-Ryan, 5400 Blue Bill Park Drive, Madison WI 53704 jlp004@charter.net



Past Presidents Parley Committee Award Entry Form

HELEN GARDNER UNIT MEMBER OF THE YEAR AWARD

A Unit Member of the Year from each department will be recognized annually at the American Legion Auxiliary National Convention.

Requirements:

The rules are as follows:

1. Only Senior members in good standing are eligible.
2. She will not have served in a leadership role higher than Unit President but she does not have to have served as President.
3. Selection should be based on the contribution the member had made through a program or project for the current year. What did she do that was outstanding?
4. Years of membership do not matter - she may be a new member.
5. Only one entry from each Unit is to be submitted.
6. The name and address of the person selected by the Unit, together with a narrative of not more than 1,000 words describing your nominee's work and achievement or the current year is to be received by the Department President *no later than thirty (30) days prior to Department Convention*. Unit entry is to be signed by the Unit President and Unit Secretary.

Nominating Department:	
Dept PPP Chairman Information Name: Carol Pirone-Udell Address: 2030 Carnation Court, The Villages, Fl. 32162 Email: pastpresidentparley@alafi.org Telephone Number: (941) 373-9947	
Nominee Information Name: Address: Email: Phone:	
Nominee's Unit Name and Number:	

Form must be completed and submitted to: Department President Michele DeGennaro <i>And RECEIVED by MAY 5th, 2019.</i>	<u>Department President</u> <i>Michele DeGennaro</i> <i>9401 Sunshine Blvd,</i> <i>New Port Richey, Fl.</i> <i>34654</i> president@alafi.org
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