

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA

PAST PRESIDENTS PARLEY

2021-2022

FALL CONFERENCE

Floor Remarks

November 6, 2021

Good morning Madam President Jennie and members of this wonderful organization.

Unit President's or the representative here from your Unit, please give the packet of information that is in your mailboxes to your Unit's Past Presidents Parley Chairman. The packet includes information about the program, the award pages so please make sure you read them carefully to follow all the guidelines. And finally, please fill out the enclosed annual report form.

And of course, don't forget the monthly bulletins that you receive, which have beneficial information for all members as well as those Units/Districts who have a PPP are recognized each month.

National decided there would be no mid-year reports, however if you would like to send me a short blurb about what your Unit/District does with regard to PPP, please send it to me by December 15th. Annual reports are due by May 1, 2022, and again the form is included in your packets. I will be sending our year-end report to National and Western Division, so please be sure to get your reports done on time.

It would be wonderful to get 100% reporting, so Unit/District chairman please take a few minutes of your busy day to fill out the one page report form for year-end and make Arizona "The Best in the West."

If anyone has any questions about the contents in your packet my information is listed below.

Madam President, this concludes my floor remarks.

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2017-2022 American Legion Auxiliary Programs Action Plan Past Presidents Parley

The purpose of the Past Presidents Parley 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, helping ensure strong future leadership for the organization. The Past Presidents Parley also recognizes and honors outstanding unit members through the Unit Member of the Year Award and veterans through the Salute to Service Member of the Year Award.

What can you do?

1. Promote mentoring opportunities of unit members.

As former leaders, past presidents at all levels are encouraged to continue their support to the organization by accepting responsibility to contribute their experience, knowledge and wisdom. As ambassadors for the organization, there is much information to share in achieving a stronger organization, at each level, by sustaining growth through positive actions.

Ideas:

- · Form a unit Past Presidents Parley
- Encourage past presidents to continue providing support through the process of sharing 'best practices' with members.

2. Promote and submit nominations for the Unit Member of the Year Award.

This award recognizes the contributions made by a valued unit member. Select one member to compete for department recognition by researching the criteria within your department and making a nomination; honor her within your department. Also honor the member in her unit for significant contributions made to the unit. Encourage other units to participate. All Unit Members of the Year are recognized at National Convention.

Ideas:

- Select one member to compete for the department Unit Member of the Year award by researching the criteria within your department and personally making a nomination.
- · Honor her within the unit.

3. Promote and submit nominations for the Salute to Service Member Award.

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.

Ideas:

- Seek candidates to nominate for the Salute to Service Member Award. Assist in the application process.
- Honor all nominees at a unit function.

THE AAPP PLAQUE

(ARIZONA'S ACTIVE PAST PRESIDENTS PLAQUE)

An annual plaque will be awarded to any active Auxiliary Past President.

There are many past Unit, District, and Department Past Presidents who continue to serve and are dedicated to the Auxiliary Programs and should be recognized for continuous dedication.

This plaque will be awarded at the annual Department Convention and will be retained by the recipient. A new plaque will be furnished each year, financed by John P. Burns Unit 26 Past Presidents Parley.

The active past president will be selected by her Unit, and a not-to-exceed 1,000 word resume of her activities for the current year will be submitted by the Units Past Presidents Parley, and signed by the Chairman and the Unit President. The resume will be sent to the Department Past Presidents Parley Chairman who will choose a committee of three to assist her in judging.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- 1. A Past Unit, District, or Department President.
- 2. Active in various activities/programs.
- 3. Attend meetings on a regular basis.
- 4. Current membership paid.

CORA GRIGG PAST PRESIDENTS PARLEY PLAQUE

This plaque will be a traveling plaque to be passed on each year.

It shall become the permanent property of the Unit winning it three (3) consecutive years. The permanent winner will place another plaque in the Department competition of like size, rules and name remaining the same.

A narrative typewritten report not to exceed 1,000 words must be included with the Past Presidents Parley Report.

Grading will be based on:

Nursing and Health Occupation Scholarships	50%
Assistance to Women Veterans	25%
Membership work in the Unit	15%
Narrative and neatness of report	10%

JARVIS PLAQUE

AUXILIARY MEMBER OF THE YEAR

To be presented annually to the Unit to which the selected Auxiliary Member of the year is a member in good standing.

This will be a traveling plaque.

The receiving Unit shall be responsible for engraving the recipient's name and year received on said plaque.

This plaque will not become the permanent property of any one Unit.

Upon the filling of said plaque with names, plaque will be returned to the Department Headquarters for safe keeping and displayed, if possible. Method to replace plaque will be determined at that time.

(Revised 1989)

UNIT MEMBER OF THE YEAR

A Unit should choose their Auxiliary Unit Member of the Year according to the following guidelines from National:

- 1. Each Unit is limited to one nomination.
- Selection should be based on the contribution the member has made through a program and/or project for the <u>CURRENT</u> administrative year.
- 3. Nominations are limited to Senior members in good standing.
- Nominees must not have served in an appointed or elected office higher than Unit President. However, it is not necessary to have served as Unit President.
- 5. Length of membership is not a criterion.
- Each Unit will submit to the Department President and Department Past Presidents Parley Chairman the following information.
 - A. Name and complete address of nominee.
 - B. Narrative of not more than 1,000 words describing the nominee's accomplishments/achievements during the <u>CURRENT</u> administrative year.
 - C. Nomination form must be signed by the Unit President and the Unit Secretary. <u>Deadline for submission is May 1st</u>.