

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES

LAW ENFORCEMENT And FIREFIGHTER

The Ralph Arms/Larry Thall Law Enforcement Award Emergency Service Gold Medal

“The purpose of this corporation shall be fraternal, patriotic, historical, charitable and educational, to preserve and strengthen comradeship among its members; to assist worthy comrades; to perpetuate the memory and history of our dead and to assist the widows and orphans; to maintain true allegiance to the Government of the United States of America, and fidelity to its Constitution and Laws; to foster true patriotism; to maintain and extend the Institutions of American freedom; and to preserve and defend the United States from all her enemies whomsoever.” Article 1, Constitution of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States will present the Ralph Arms/Larry Thall Law Enforcement Award to a law enforcement officer who is worthy of receiving national recognition. And the Emergency Service Gold Medal annually to the Nation’s most outstanding firefighter. The awards will be presented in recognition of the honoree’s pre-eminent abilities, the compassion for their fellow human beings, the knowledge of the performance of their duties, the integrity and honor of the recipient, and the service to the public they serve, the State and the Nation.

Through establishment of the Law Enforcement and Firefighter Awards, the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States wishes to honor those, who exemplify all the best qualities of their professions.

In so doing, we hope to clearly demonstrate to the nation the outstanding character of the men and women, the dedication to country, the understanding of the plight of others, the devotion to safety and community and their sworn objectives to protect the life and property of all people of our nation. The recipients of these awards, therefore, must be an outstanding member of their community, their state and the nation and more, an honored member of their fraternity.

I’m sure that in the State of Ohio we have a law enforcement officer and a firefighter worthy of receiving these awards.

LAW ENFORCEMENT & FIREFIGHTER GUIDELINES FOR THESE PROGRAMS

Veterans of Foreign Wars
2020-2021

POST CHAIRMEN

Participant Entries must be in a hard backed binder form when submitted. Each post must hold a judging and the winners must be sent to your DISTRICT! They must judge your entry before it goes to the DEPARTMENT. Any books sent to me after the deadline WILL NOT BE JUDGED and there are NO EXCEPTIONS. The post will receive credit for participating in the program, but the officer will not be judged.
SET YOUR JUDGING DEADLINE.

Please make sure that you get:

- Background information
- Number of years they have been serving in their field
- Newspaper clippings, decorations or awards, military information etc.
- If your candidate has any outstanding achievements, please include that also.
- Be sure to include a photo of the candidate.

MAKE PHOTO COPIES OF ALL ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS FOR THE BOOK.

DISTRICT CHAIRMEN

You must judge all entries in both categories and send the two winners to the DEPARTMENT CHAIRMAN. SET YOUR JUDGING DEADLINE.

**THE DISTRICT WINNERS MUST BE TO THE DEPARTMENT CHAIRMAN BY
NOVEMBER 21st, 2020**

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VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
OF THE UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF OHIO

To: Posts and District Commanders

From: Clayton Uzell, State Law Enforcement & Firefighter

Subject: Law Enforcement & Firefighter Emergency Service Gold Medal

The Law Enforcement & Firefighter Gold Medal Awards are presented annually, at our Mid Winter Conference to an individual for outstanding service in the field of Law Enforcement and Emergency Service.

The Department of Ohio is hopeful that each Post will submit a nominee for this award. Our State certainly has at least one "Law Enforcement Officer and Outstanding Firefighter" who should be recognized.

This year there will be awards given, \$300.00 will be donated to the recipient's charity of choice in his/her name. A plaque designating them as the Department of Ohio Law Enforcement & Firefighter of the year, also the Recipient will be given 2 banquet tickets to attend the Mid Winter Conference banquet, and two nights lodging. The Post that sponsors the winner will receive a plaque at the Mid Winter Conference.

NOMINATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED FROM ALL DISTRICT WINNERS.
(1) ENTRY PER EACH CATEGORY FROM THE DISTRICT CHAIRMAN.
DEADLINE FOR ENTRY **NOVEMBER 21st** 2020, TO DEPARTMENT CHAIRMAN

Read the guidelines for nominations carefully, and contact your local fire and law enforcement agencies. Allow sufficient time for preparing the presentation entry. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

LET'S WORK TOGETHER TO HONOR THOSE WHO SERVE
24-7 TO PROTECT US!

Send all questions to:

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Nominee Information Sheet
Please circle one

Firefighter Law Enforcement

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER OF YEAR
FIREFIGHTER OF YEAR
EMERGENCY SERVICE GOLD MEDAL

NAME OF NOMINEE: _____

TITLE OF NOMINEE: _____

ADDRESS OF NOMINEE: _____

CITY, STATE & ZIP CODE: _____

SPONSORING POST# _____ NAME: _____

POST COMMANDER: _____

DISTRICT COMMANDER OR DISTRICT CHAIRMAN _____

ATTACH THE FOLLOWING WITH THE FORM:

1. RESUME OF NOMINEE'S BACKGROUND (attached in Hard Backed Binder Only)
2. NOMINEE'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AND FIRE FIELD: (attached in Hard Backed Binder Only)
3. PHOTOGRAPH OF NOMINEE (attached in Binder)
4. SCRAPBOOK OF NOMINEE'S ACCOMPLISHMENT (if possible)

**Please send completed form, resume and photograph to:
YOUR DISTRICT CHAIRMAN FOR JUDGING**

THE DEADLINE FOR YOUR NOMINATION MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE
DEPARTMENT CHAIRMAN BY **NOVEMBER 21st, 2020.**

NOMINEE INFORMATION SHEET
2020-2021
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
DEPARTMENT OF OHIO

LAW ENFORCEMENT
FIREFIGHTER
(circle one)

**THIS FORM IS FOR THE DISTRICT JUDGING THEN SENT TO THE
DEPARTMENT CHAIRMAN.**

NAME OF NOMINEE: _____

TITLE OF NOMINEE: _____

ADDRESS OF NOMINEE: _____

CITY, STATE & ZIP CODE: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

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NOMINEE'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS
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PHOTOGRAPH OF NOMINEE
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SEND COMPLETED FORM TO:

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34106 CHAGRIN BLVD. #4106
MORELAND HILLS, OHIO 44022

THE DEADLINE FOR YOUR INFORMATION TO BE "SUBMITTED AND
RECEIVED" AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS IS NOVEMBER 21st, 2020.

DISTRICT CHAIRMAN _____ DISTRICT# _____

SPONSORING POST# _____ POST COMMANDER _____