

## National President's



Units that exemplify *Service Not Self*, promote harmony in the Unit, are inclusive and welcoming to all members, accept/adapt to change, and engage new/current members will be awarded the National President's *Service Not Self* citation, receive a special gift from the National President and be recognized at National Convention. An article and photo, if provided, of winning Units will be published in the national magazine and on the national website. Please help us honor and congratulate all Units that demonstrate our motto of *Service Not Self*.

### Guidelines:

- Complete this nomination form
- Attach a narrative on how the Unit's *Service Not Self* attitude - how they welcome new members, engage current and new members, manage disagreements/conflicts, accept/adapt to change - has helped them maintain and/or grow membership.
- Form must be signed by the Department Secretary to validate that Unit has maintained 2010 membership.

### NOMINATION FORM

*Please type or print legibly*

Unit Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit # \_\_\_\_\_ Dept: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit Address: \_\_\_\_\_

In your narrative, answer the following questions:

1. How does the Unit use mission outreach programs (V A & R, Poppy, Children & Youth, Girls State, etc.) to attract new members?
2. In what ways does the Unit welcome new members?
3. In what specific ways does the Unit engage current and new members?
  - a. How does the Unit make sure all interested members are included in Unit activities?
  - b. How does the Unit ensure members are offered opportunities to participate that are suited to their time and talents?
  - c. How does the Unit express positive expectations, empower and encourage members' success?
4. The 2009 member survey identified Unit disharmony, gossip, cliques, criticism and discrimination as major problems that discourage many members from renewing and others from joining.
  - a. How does the Unit: 1) minimize these problems, 2) manage disagreements and conflicts, 3) show gratitude, and 4) promote harmony among its members?
5. Does the Unit solicit and encourage new ideas from members?
  - a. How readily are new ideas accepted and how quickly are they considered for implementation?
6. In what other ways does the Unit demonstrate a Service Not Self attitude?
  - a. Within the Unit and Department.
  - b. Within the community and state.
7. Did the Unit use any other methods, techniques or activities to maintain 2011 membership level?

Unit's 2010 membership at 12/31/10 \_\_\_\_\_

Unit's 2011 membership at 12/31/11 \_\_\_\_\_

### ***Certified by:***

Department Secretary printed name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Units: Forward completed form, with narrative attached, to Department Headquarters by the March 15, 2012 deadline. Send to: American Legion Auxiliary, Department Headquarters, PO Box 2760, Zanesville, Ohio 43702-2760