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Commander**



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Adjutant**

The JOSEPH J. CONWAY Memorial Award

Rules and Guidelines:

- The recipient would have a continuing contribution to the betterment of his/her community or the people herein.
 - Youth: Work done with the community organizations. Examples: hockey, baseball, scouts, musical and marching units etc.
 - Elderly and Handicapped: Services to and fore: Examples: having parties, at your post, parties at rest homes, sightseeing trips, movies, entertainment, etc.
 - Hospitalized Services: Voluntary services: Examples: beano parties, dances, off station parties, entertainment and other services to veteran Hospitals or to any type of hospital.
 - Any other possible community service activities.
- Nominations for consideration of a Legionnaire, Auxiliary member, Sons of the Legion, or junior member for this award must be made by the Legion Post along with the Legion Family organization requesting submission of this award.
 - Submissions will include letter or resume of accomplishments
 - The submission will be signed by the Post Commander and Adjutant
 - The submission will also be signed by the Legion Family organization president/secretary or squadron commander/adjutant submitting the request.
 - Proof of accomplishments shall be made to the committee where possible.
- No Legionnaire, Auxiliary member, squadron member or Junior Auxiliary member may receive this award while serving on their respective department Executive Committees.
- No person serving on the Community Service Committee is eligible for consideration of this award.
- The Post that is submitting a candidate must have a current CPR and Post Roster on File for their candidate to be considered for this award.
- The judging of the applications submitted will be by a panel of three (3) judges appointed by the Department Community Services Chairman.

Submission due by: March 31st, 2025

Community Services Committee

Chairman

Mail all Entries to:

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Joseph J. Conway

Community Service

Memorial Award

Joseph J. Conway was a World War I veteran from Springfield, MA served in the Calvary upper New York at Camp Drum. Joseph Conway was discharged as a Sargent.

Joseph joined Post 21 and later transferred to Liberty Post 430 in Springfield where he served as the only WWI Post Commander.

- Served as Liberty Post 430 Post Commander from 1963-1964.
- Served on the Community Service Committee for 25 years.

Joseph Conway was very involved in his community with programs that included:

- Volunteering at Brightside Orphanage programs included
 - Teaching children to operate machines 4 times a year
 - Pasta and Meatball Suppers along with the Auxiliary
 - General assistance as needed
- Councilor at Boys State when the program was at the University of Massachusetts Amherst
 - New Citizenship Ceremonies
 - Award presentations at the local schools
 - Participated in many food deliveries to Shut-ins
 - Flagging of Springfield Cemeteries

This just names some of Joseph's community service work. Joseph Conway passed away in 1972 but his legacy of community service will endure through this memorial award.