

**VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS DEPARTMENT OF VIRGINIA
AMERICANISM (Gauger Award)
RECORD BOOK GUIDELINES
Post Americanism Record Book Program**

There will be a Post somewhere that will be recognized for their efforts in Americanism.

How will this recognition be earned? By participating in the Americanism Program and by being the “Outstanding” Americanism Post in the Department. From the entries received the Post selected number one will receive a trophy at Department Convention. The Post placing second through ten will receive a Department Citation.

The rules governing this completion are relatively simple.

1. To qualify a winner at the Department level, the Post must be selected by the Department’s Awards Committee.
2. The entry must include the name and address of the person to whom the entry is to be returned.
3. Selection by the Department shall be based on Americanism projects performed during May 1, 2020 - April 30, 2021.
4. For the Post to qualify as an entrant, it must be reported in Americanism for the current year.
5. In order for the judges to have something on which to base their decision, some form of substantiating data (newspaper clippings, photographs, correspondence, etc.,) must accompany each entry. All substantiating data should be organized into a record book format.

You should record the following programs and any other Americanism Projects completed in your entry.

Independence Day

Parades

Loyalty Day

Legislative Program

Buddy Poppy Education Program

Flag Presentation

Voice of Democracy

POW/MIA Program

Veterans Day

Memorial Day Services

Other Patriotic Holidays

Citizenship Education Programs

Flag Day

Post and District Americanism Chairmen have to begin their program early because the Department entry must be received at Department Headquarters no later than May 8, 2021.

For further information contact your Department Chairman.