“History never looks like history when you are living through it.” – John W. Gardner

A Unit’s history is contained in articles, minutes, newsletters, and photos to name just a few.

Histories should be written in chronological order and should be comprised of all things occurring throughout the year.

Dates for your Histories shall be May 1, 2019 – April 30, 2020.

Remember this is a special year as it is the American Legion Auxiliary’s 100th year!

Various ways to record and add to your Unit’s history …

- Photos! Be sure to date each one and to name each person in the picture.
- Keep a copy of flyers promoting various events throughout the year.
- Participate in “Members Remember”.
- Encourage junior members to participate in activities as they work towards earning the History Patch (grades 9-12).
- Take part in Women’s History Month in March.

**PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THESE DATES**

Mid-year reports should be sent to me no later than December 15, 2019; Year-end reports should be sent to me no later than May 1, 2020; History Books should be sent to me no later than May 25, 2020.

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I need to make my report to the National Historian and need your reports to do so, there should not be a case for this but a report stating “no activity to report” is still a report and we could have a 100% reporting!
Additional Resources

history@ALAforVeterans.org
Gaylord Archival - www.gaylord.com/resources
National Archives - www.archives.gov/preservation
History Program page at www.ALAforVeterans.org

Department Awards

To the Unit in Department submitting the best written history in their classification:

- Written Class I History Award 10-99 members
- Written Class II History Award 100-199 members
- Written Class III History Award 200 + members

Barker Trophy – to the Unit in Department submitting the best overall written history. (Winner is picked from one of the three written class winners)

Fletcher Burbank Photo History Award – to the Unit in Department submitting the best photo history in their classification (award submitted by Marion Grant)

- Class I Photo History 10-99 members
- Class II Photo History 100-199 members
- Class III Photo History 200 + members