

Americanism Commission - Community Service Scrapbook Contest By National
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Start your year off right and begin collecting information for your Community Service Scrapbook. Squadrons, Districts, and even Detachments can enter the Americanism Commission's Community Service Scrapbook Contest. Please see pages 39-40 in the SAL Manual for complete criteria, rules, judging, points, and deadline information. The manual is available online at www.legion.org/sal.

Scrapbooks must be properly bound so there are no loose pages, they must be typed or neatly written, spelling and grammar must be correct, and the information presented must be in chronological order. All submissions must have dates and descriptions and only articles taking place this year may be submitted for judging. Points will be awarded according to this and other criteria listed in the manual. The scrapbook with the highest point total is eligible for an award.

The usual deadline is just prior to the Pre-Convention NEC Meeting, likely to be due on July 15, 2016. You mail your completed scrapbook to National Headquarters, Sons of The American Legion, P.O. Box 1055, Indianapolis, Indiana 46206 with a return receipt requested.

Scrapbooks are judged from the criteria in the SAL Manual by the Americanism Commission members present at the Pre-NEC Convention Meeting for awarding presented at the Convention.

The Americanism Commission would love to see many Squadrons, Districts, and Detachments enter. Start by collecting those photos, news articles, and information on your events early so you can compile your scrapbook as the year progresses and you'll be ready by the July deadline.