

NATIONAL MERIT AWARD

_____ Did your Society enter the National Contest? (Include copy of entry; front page only of newsletters.)

SENIOR STATE PRESIDENT'S PRIZE

Local Society with most new members admitted from March 1, 2023 to February 28, 2024. Winner is determined from National Society records. **NOTE: A contest entry is NOW required for ALL contests.**

STATE PRESIDENT'S PRIZE CONTEST ENTRY

- _____ 1. Entered National Merit Award Contest. (15 pts-gold, 10 pts-blue, 7 pts-red; 5 pts-submitted entry)
- _____ 2. Packet Planning Meeting held on _____ (date). (5 pts)
- _____ 3. State Dues paid to Senior State Treasurer by January 1, 2024? (5 pts)
- _____ 4. Local Society Report to State postmarked to Senior State President by March 1, 2024? (10 pts)
- _____ 5. Local Society Annual Report to National postmarked to Senior State President by March 1, 2024? (10 pts)
- _____ 6. A list of Society officers (including e-mail addresses) was sent to the Senior State President by November 15, 2023? (15 pts)
- _____ 7. An article on Society activities was sent to the "Buckeye Briefs" by January 15, 2024? (5 pts)
- _____ 8. An article on membership, national and state C.A.R. web sites, and/or the National Project was sent for each issue of the *Buckeye Briefs* by the deadline? (5 pts per article)
- _____ 9. Four or more Society newsletters were published between March 1, 2023 and February 28, 2024 and copies were sent to the State President and Senior State President when published? (5 pts)
- _____ 10. For each activity involving the community, DAR, or SAR. Attach details. (3 pts each)
- _____ 11. Contributed \$5.00 or more to the National President's Program? (3 pts)
- _____ 12. Contributed \$5.00 or more to the State Project? (3 pts)
- _____ 13. Did the Society President or Vice President attend each State Board of Management Meeting (Summer and Winter Board)? (3 pts each)
- _____ 14. For each **MEMBER** attending the following: State Conference, National Convention, Regional Meetings, State President's event(s) – attach list of names and events attended. (1 pt per member per event)
- _____ 15. State President and Senior State President invited to a local Society meeting or activity on _____ (date). (5 pts)
- _____ 16. For each local meeting your Society held – dates _____. (5 pts per meeting.)
- _____ 17. For each officer and committee contest your Society entered as instructed on the next page. (10 pts per contest entry.)
- _____ 18. For a net gain in membership between March 1, 2023 and February 28, 2024. (20 pts)
- _____ 19. National Life Membership (1 pt for each 10% of Society's membership that are National Life Members)
- _____ 20. State Life Membership (1 pt for each 10% of Society's membership that are State Life Members)
- _____ 21. State Conference Credentials form sent to the Senior State Credentials Chairman postmarked by February 25, 2024? (2 pts)

_____ TOTAL _____
SOCIETY NAME _____

STATE OFFICER AND COMMITTEE CONTESTS

In order to enter any of the State Officer and Committee contests, submit **ONE (1)** copy of the National Contest Entry form and supporting documentation per contest to the Senior State President. The National Contest Entry Form can be found in the National Program Packet and on the Forms page of the Ohio website. Objectives, programs, and suggestions are the same for the state contests as the national contests. A state contest will have first, second, and third place, and/or honorable mention when the corresponding National Contest offers this. **CONTEST ENTRIES IF MAILED MUST REACH THE SENIOR STATE PRESIDENT BY MARCH 1, 2024 OR THEY MAY BE BROUGHT TO STATE CONFERENCE AND SUBMITTED ON FRIDAY NIGHT TO THE SENIOR STATE AWARDS CHAIRMAN. POSTMARK SHOULD BE FEBRUARY 25, 2024 OR EARLIER.**

Each society is encouraged to enter as many of the contests as possible. Contest entries (**including the Contest Entry Form**) should be written by members whenever possible. **You must submit an entry in order for your work to be considered for an award unless it is otherwise noted below.**

Each society may have a society scrapbook covering the period of March 1, 2023, to February 28, 2024. This scrapbook should be brought to State Conference. Pictures, publicity, and programs should also be sent to the State Historian, Francesca Simmons.

The 2023-2024 State Officer and Committee Contests include:

COMMITTEE	CONTEST
State President	Best Program on Ohio History Connection (1 winner)
State First Vice President	Best Program on National Project and Theme - USDA and Portfolio (1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd)
State Second Vice President	Society with the Most Volunteer Hours - supply proof (1 winner)
State Chaplain	Society with Best Prayer (1 winner)
State Corresponding Secretary	Best Program (1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd)
National Theme and Project	Best Program on National Project and Theme - Volunteering (1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd)
American Heritage	Best Program (1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd)
American History	Best Program (1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd)
American Indian	Best Program (1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd)
American Indian	Society giving the most material aid to the Indian Schools (1 winner)
American Indian	Society giving the most financial aid to the Indian Schools (1 winner)
C.A.R./DAR/SAR/S.R. Relations	Best Program shared with your local DAR, SAR, and S.R. chapters (1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd)
C.A.R. Day of Service	Best Program (1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd)
C.A.R. Mag and Newsletters	Best Newsletter Articles by a Society promoting the National Project and Theme " <i>Cultivating Tomorrow's Leaders</i> " (1 winner)
C.A.R. Mag and Newsletters	Best Society Newsletter (1 winner)
Conservation	Best Program (1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd)
Government Studies	Best Program (1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd)
Kids Helping Kids	Best Program (1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd)
Membership	Best Program Encouraging C.A.R. membership (1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd)
Membership	Largest Increase in Membership by Percentage (Societies with 25 and Fewer Members, Societies with Over 25 Members) (2 winners)
Mountain Schools	Best Program (1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd)
Mountain Schools	Most Financial or Material Aid (1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd)
Mountain Schools	Most Mountain School Pins (1 winner)
National Merit Award	Copy of Society's Form (Gold, Blue, Red, Honorable Mention)
Patriotic Education Project	Best Program (1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd)
Public Relations	Best Program (1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd)
Veterans	Best Program (1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd)