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Per Article VI, Section 3, Sub 6, Post Commander Seaman appointed an Honor and Awards Committee to review members who are prospective candidates for an award as designated in the Constitution of Minneapolis-Richfield American Legion Post 435.

There are 5 awards available to be awarded to a prospective candidate who has performed duties as a Post member with dedication, ability, and success beyond that which is generally accepted.

If no prospective candidate are nominated, or if no one meets those requirements, no awards are given.

On Wednesday September 30 at the General Membership meeting for September 2020, the Chair of the Honor and Awards Committee, Jim Munson, announced that the 2020 Honorary Life Member had been selected. This award is for exceptionally able and dedicated service to the Post over the last two years.

This year's award went to Past Post Commander Tom Eckhoff.

Congratulations Tom!

If you know of a candidate for one of the Awards for Post members, please contact Jim Munson, through the Post.

The available awards are:

1. **Honorary Life Member** – Awarded only for exceptionally able and dedicated service to the Post over the course of at least two years.
2. **Virgil Grenhagen Award** – For outstanding membership work on behalf of the Post.
3. **Stanley Alpaugh Award** – Outstanding “All Around Activities” on behalf of the Post.
4. **Earl Beaver Award** – Outstanding work in promoting “Americanism” in Legion-sponsored activities.
5. **Leslie Shaffer Award** – Outstanding community services work by a Veteran.