

SPECIAL AWARDS

One Entry Per Category Per Squad

PROMOTION OF SAFETY - Squads which, during the year, have contributed to and promoted safety within their respective areas by means of printed and/or electronic media and/or civic organizations. The number of trophies awarded will be based on the number of entries received.

ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT (ALS) CALL OF THE YEAR - The ALS calls will be judged on the current edition of the ALS text and the VA OEMS guidelines that govern EMT Enhanced and higher. The ALS call will be judged on BLS skills with the addition of ALS skills. A copy of the call sheet, with the name, address and social security number of the patient deleted, shall be submitted with the entry. The number of trophies awarded will be based on the number of entries received. **Provider names should not be included in the entry.**

BASIC LIFE SUPPORT (BLS) CALL OF THE YEAR - All EMT-BLS calls will be judged by the current edition of the EMT book and the VA OEMS guidelines that govern EMT-B. A copy of the call sheet, with the name, address and social security number of the patient deleted, shall be submitted with the entry. **If any ALS procedures are included in the call it will be disqualified.** The number of trophies awarded will be based on the number of entries received. **Provider names should not be included in the entry.**

RESCUE CALL OF THE YEAR - Given for outstanding rescue call of the year where life due to structure, vehicle or water entrapment is saved. Rescue techniques and procedures only will be considered. BLS or ALS treatment should not be included in this call and will not be considered in judging. **Provider names should not be included in the entry.**

HARLAN SENGER MEMORIAL AWARD – The Harlan Senger Memorial Award is given by the Virginia Association of Volunteer Rescue Squads, Inc. in recognition of an individual who has distinguished himself or herself in an action which involves extraordinary heroism, clearly above and beyond the call of duty, in the protection of life or property. The act or acts of heroism was so notable and involved risk of life to the provider. The act or acts of heroism was also so notable and involved risk of life to the provider so extraordinary and of such magnitude, as to have set the person apart from his or her peers. Clear and convincing proof of the performance of the service was documented. The award will be a rotating trophy to be displayed at the VAVRS headquarters, and an individual trophy or plaque will become the permanent property of the recipient.

PRESIDENT'S TROPHY – The President's Trophy is given by the Virginia Association of Volunteer Rescue Squads, Inc. in recognition of an agency/agencies who has/have distinguished itself/themselves in an action which involves extraordinary heroism, clearly above and beyond the call of duty, in the protection of life or property during a mass casualty incident or a natural disaster. The act or acts of heroism were so notable, so extraordinary and of such magnitude, as to have set the agency/agencies apart from its/their peers. Clear and convincing proof of the performance of the service was documented and involved not only exemplary display of EMS skills, but excellence in incident command protocol. The award will be a rotating trophy to be displayed at the VAVRS headquarters, and an individual trophy or plaque will become the permanent property of the recipient/recipients.

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE TYPEWRITTEN IN STANDARD 12-POINT BLOCK STYLE, DOUBLE-SPACED AND SINGLE-SIDED, MAXIMUM 10 PAGES PER ENTRY (EXCEPT HARLAN SENGER MAXIMUM OF 25 PAGES). NO MORE THAN 5 PHOTOS TO BE INCLUDED WITH ANY ENTRY. MATERIAL SHOULD BE LIMITED TO CONTEXT OF THE AWARD, AND CONCISE AND RELEVANT. NO VIDEOS OR FAXES ACCEPTED.

ENTRIES MUST BE IN THE STATE OFFICE AT LEAST 30 DAYS PRIOR TO THE FIRST DAY (WEDNESDAY) OF THE ANNUAL CONVENTION. THE EVALUATION PERIOD WILL BE FROM AUGUST 1 OF THE PRIOR YEAR THRU JULY 31 PRIOR TO THE CONVENTION AT WHICH THE ENTRY IS BEING JUDGED. COVER SHEET MUST INCLUDE SQUAD NAME, CONTACT PERSON, PHONE NUMBER AND CATEGORY.