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The Department of Louisiana American Legion M.C "Mike" Gehr Blue Cap Award

The M.C. "Mike" Gehr Blue Cap Award is a very prestigious award which is funded by the Gehr family and is awarded annually on the district and department levels. Almost every Post in our Department has a hard-working, dependable and volunteering member who has served his/her Post for a number of years and is deserving of being nominated

- 1. Use the Blue form only. Please attach additional information you wish to have considered.**
- 2. Any Post member, who is a former recipient of the award for the District, or the Post Commander, may nominate an individual from that Post for the award to the District Blue Cap Chairman.**
- 3. On the Post level — former BLUE CAP recipients of the award should serve on the Post Selection Committee. The Post Selection committee will have final approval of the post candidate. Only one nomination per Post is made to the District Blue Cap Chairman by the assigned date. This application must be sent to the District Blue Cap Chairman no later than----30 days prior to your district Spring conferences.**
- 4. The District Blue Cap Chairman should appoint a committee of three former recipients from throughout the district (not from the same Post or Area) to select the district winner. During the district spring conferences, the District Commanders or the District Blue Cap Chairman will announce and present the District winner with the prestigious Blue Cap Pin.**
- 5. The Club President will select a committee of FIVE former recipients from FIVE different districts chosen at the mid –winter conference who will receive the district winners by mail, after careful review of all the nominations of the district winners in private; they will vote by secret ballot for their 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choices on the ballot form provided. The ballot shall be mailed to the Blue Cap President, who does not vote, totals the points and confidentially shares the results with the Blue Cap Club Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer, and Dept Adjutant.**
- 6. The respective District Commander winner will be notified by the Club President so as to make every attempt at assuring the presence of the district winner at the respective District Spring conference to be honored. Blue cap pin is awarded and receive a special invitation to attend the state convention as a state nominee.**
- 7. The Department Blue Cap winner will be presented the state winner's plaque during the Department Convention normally held in the month of June.**
- 8. Any past recipient of the award dismissed or expelled from the American Legion will be removed from the list as a member of the M.C. "MIKE" GEHR CLUB**
- 9. Resumes and photos may be attached to this application.**

Recommendation for M.C. "Mike" Gehr Blue Cap Award

TO District Blue Cap Chairman (Listed below) _____ ,

We of Post # _____ have selected

(first name)

(middle initial)

(last name)

(mailing address)

(city)

(zip code)

(telephone number)

(cell number)

(email address)

As the Outstanding Legionnaire of Post ____ and submit his/her qualifications for the Blue Cap award :

1. He/she has been a member of the American Legion Dept of Louisiana for a minimum period of 5 years and never been elected to a District, Department or National position. Appointed offices installed do not apply; however, elected positions that have been declared to be vacated do apply.
2. He/she has been elected to the following Post offices:
3. He/she has served as Chairman of Post Committees which represent the betterment and welfare of veterans, and has helped to secure new membership or renewals:
4. He/she has been an active worker in the following American Legion Post Programs
5. He/she has been active in civic and church affairs in your community in the name of the American Legion as follows.
6. He/She must not have been compensated for services in their respective posts.
7. Post Commanders or former recipients – mail your nominee to your District Blue Cap Chairman no later than 30 DAYS PRIOR to your Spring District Conference

District Blue Cap Chairman

1st District Sidney Parfait

5th District Tina Cielatka

2nd District Michael Haskins

6th District Mike Peats

3rd District Rudy Bourg

7th District Rodney Holiday

4th District John DeMoss

8th District Herman Smith

District Blue Cap Chairman: Mail District Winner To:

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PRESIDENT BLUE CAP CLUB
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