

HOW TO ESTABLISH A PAST PRESIDENTS PARLEY IN YOUR DEPARTMENT

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Past Presidents Parley

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- Departments are encouraged to establish a Past Presidents Parley (PPP) consisting of their past department presidents. These groups can continue their support of the organization by using their experience, knowledge and wisdom to be goodwill ambassadors and to strengthen our organization and help maintain its growth.
- PPPs can play an important part in the mentoring of current members to develop knowledgeable leadership within the department. They can support and assist in a recruitment effort for new members.
- They are encouraged to select a mission-outreach project of interest and support the program with time and/or financial contributions. They may choose to have a courtesy fund and chairman to remember past presidents when the need arises.
- They should make themselves available to current officers as well as potential candidates for office. Their guidance and constructive feedback should help the department maintain continuity and good cooperation.
- This group could hold a luncheon during department meetings to share current department news. They may choose to donate or raise funds for ex-servicewomen and PPP nurses scholarships. They may discuss making specific donations or how they could assist with issues within their department to help create a positive result. A discussion could be held about ideas for proposing a resolution to help clarify a questionable Constitution & Bylaws article. They may decide to take a leadership role regarding a proposal from the national organization. Some members of the Parley may be serving at the national level.
- They could invite the current department president and any national guest who may be in attendance at their meeting.
- Your knowledge can be invaluable on the department's Finance Committee, as PPP chairman, or as parliamentarian, if appointed.
- Continue to be involved: You are a valuable department member.