Sons of The American Legion
Detachment of Maryland Commander’s Challenge

All

Detachment Commander Dave Hullihen has issued a Challenge this year and I want to explain how every Squadron can meet the challenge. Commander Hullihen project is Boy Scouts and his motto is “Sons Helping Scouts Become Leaders”. The goal is to continue to raise awareness for the Four Pillars of The American Legion. And to those who don’t know what they are here they are:

VA&R, Children and Youth, Americanism, and National Security.

The challenge is fairly simple, Americanism: Squadrons are asked to donate to Commanders Project “Boy Scouts” for at least $300.00; Children and Youth: Squadrons need to make a donation for Maryland Special Olympics for $200.00; VA&R: Squadrons need to purchase a plaque for $100.00 through the Detachment that will honor our Veterans that served during the Persian Gulf War era and dedicate it to their post; National Security: Squadrons will Honor a Police Officer or Fire Fighter in your area for their service to the community. One entry per Squadron. One winner will be chosen from each District and sent to Detachment where one winner will be selected for Police Officer/Firefighter of the year and presented at Detachment convention in June. The winner will receive the Dave Barr Memorial Trophy: This can be done for $100.00. This Challenge can be met by raising as little as $700.00.

Plain and Simple:
1. Americanism: Commander’s Project “Boy Scouts” for $300.
2. VA&R: Purchase a Plaque from Detachment $100
3. C & Y: Donation of $200 to Maryland Special Olympics

The four pillars are what The American Legion is based on, and we need to make sure we are doing our part to teach more about these four pillars.

For each Squadron, District, or others meeting the Commanders Challenge they will be honored for “Sons Helping Scouts Become Leaders” at the end of the year. When you have met the requirements of the Challenge for all four pillars you will need to fill out the attached form and submit with copies of checks or other documentation needed to verify to PDC Tom Deal. Do not wait until end of the year to submit, when you have completed the challenge send in the information and you will be notified you have met the challenge.

For Posts and Auxiliary Units who want to help “Sons Helping Scouts Become Leaders” The only difference will be the Plaque to donate to the Post can be any war or conflict you want to recognize. If a Squadron wants to donate a second plaque you can also specify what the second plaque will be presented in honor of.

On behalf of Commander Hullihen, I want to Thank You for participating in the “Commanders Challenge”

Challenge Chairman PDC Tom Deal

tom.deal@verizon.net  443-206-0402
Sons of The American Legion
Detachment of Maryland

Commanders Challenge
4 Pillars of The American Legion

Squadron/Post/Aux

Children and Youth
Donation to Maryland Special Olympics of $200.00
Please list check number and when turned in:

VAVS
Purchase a plaque for $100.00 from Detachment to honor those who served during Gulf War Era, Please list check number and when turned in:

Americanism
Make a donation to Boy Scouts for at least $300.00
Please list check and when turned in.

Homeland Security
Honor a police or firefighter in your area for their work in the community. This name should be forwarded to your district and to the detachment with a narrative about the individual.

Print Name: ______________________  Title: ______________________
Signature: ____________________________
Sign By: ____________________________  Tom Deal
APPLICATION FOR FIVE-STAR AWARD SUPPLIES
SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

__________, 20__________  ________,  ________,  ________,  ________
(date)  (town)  (state)  (zip)

Department Headquarters, The American Legion

This is to certify that ____________________________, members of Squadron No. ____________________________, Detachment of ____________________________,

City of ____________________________, has successfully completed his test on

(1) Patriotism

(2) Citizenship

(3) Discipline

(4) Leadership

(5) Legionism

(6) Has passed all of the above Star Awards tests and

is entitled to have the Five-Star Award Medal

Please mail the above insignia to ____________________________

Attested to by ____________________________

__________________________  ____________________________  ____________________________
(Post Adjutant)  (Post No.)  (City)

Approved by: ____________________________

(Department Officers)

NOTE: This form to be mailed to Department Headquarters. Insignia for the Five-Star Award can only be had by certification. All orders must first be approved by Department or Detachment Headquarters, and sent together with the remittance to the National Emblem Division, The American Legion, Post Office Box 1055, Indianapolis, Indiana 46206.

FORM 00-500 (2012)  38
# Sons of The American Legion
## History Contest Judging Sheet

**Date:**

**Squadron-District-Detachment Name:**

**Judged By:**

**Accepted:**

**Rejected:**

**Reason for rejection:**

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Comments:
I. CATEGORIES:

1. Squadron
2. Detachment

II. INTRODUCTION: Point Value 15

1. Title Page:
   a. History of Squadron/Detachment
   b. Name of Historian
   c. Administrative Year (i.e., 2013-2014)

2. Forward or Dedication.

3. Picture (5x7), black and white or color, of Commander.


5. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

6. Preamble to the Constitution of the Sons of The American Legion.

III. HISTORICAL CONTENT: Point Value 50

1. List of Elected Officers of Squadron/Detachment.

2. List of Squadron/Detachment Committee Chairmen.

3. List of any Detachment (for Squadron) or National (for Detachment) awards received at the previous year’s convention, or during the administrative year.

4. The History should be written as a narrative, beginning with the installation of officers and ending with the close of the year.

5. The signature of the Squadron/Detachment Commander and Historian are to immediately follow the final paragraph of the history.

IV. INDEX: Point Value 10
1. The Index should be the last page of the history, and be in alphabetical order and double spaced.

V. APPEARANCE: Point Value 15

1. Cover: The binder should be for loose leaf or 3 hole paper, and have a Sons of The American Legion emblem on the cover.

2. The paper should be plain white bond 8.5” X 11”.

3. All Information should be typed or neatly handwritten, neatly spaced with no errors.

VI. ARRANGEMENT: Point Value 10

1. Written in third person.

2. Correct Spelling.

3. Original and different in thought and presentation.


VII. DEADLINE:

All Histories must be received by July 15, 2014. In the event a Detachment’s Convention is held at a date restricting this deadline, the National Adjutant, or The National Historian should be notified. Extensions can be given.

VIII. SUBMISSIONS:

All entries are to be sent to: National Headquarters, The Sons of The American Legion P.O. Box 1055 Indianapolis, Indiana 46206. Registered Mail, Return Receipt is suggested. Return Address should be included, as all Histories will be returned after judging.

Adopted by the National Executive Committee on May 7, 2000.
SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION  
OFFICIAL SCRAPBOOK CONTEST JUDGING GUIDELINES  
(Approved 5-7-2000)

Date: _______________  
Squadron-District-Detachment Name: ____________________________

Judged By: ____________________________

Accepted: _________  
Rejected: _________

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SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION
COMMUNITY SERVICE
OFFICIAL SCRAPBOOK CONTEST RULES

I. CATEGORIES:

1) Squadron
2) District
3) Detachment

II. GUIDELINES:

Any program or activity that directly benefits any person of the community or
the community itself.
Submissions used in other service related contest entries (i.e. VA&R) can be
used subject to the contest rules.

II. FORMAT: Point Value: 50

1) Must be properly bound to ensure that the pages are secure and will not
become loose and fall out.
2) All information must be typed or neatly hand written.
3) Correct spelling and grammatically correct.
4) Must be in chronological order, encompassing an administrative year (from
one Detachment Convention to the next Detachment Convention).
5) All submissions must have dates and descriptions. Only activities and articles
taking place during the administrative year may be submitted for judging.

II. CONTENT: Point Value: 50

1) The front cover must have the complete name of the Squadron, District or
Detachment, (i.e. Squadron #1, Hometown, USA).
2) The title page must include:
   a) The Administrative year (i.e. 2013-2014)
   b) The name and address of the Squadron, District or Detachment.
   c) The name of the individual which submitted the scrapbook.
3) Main Body:
   a) Any articles in the newspapers written about the Community Service
      program.
   b) Thank you letters from recipients or letters of acknowledgment.
   c) Pictures and certificates.

II. DEADLINE:

1) All books must be submitted to the National Adjutant, The Sons of The
American Legion, prior to the Pre-Convention meeting of the National
Executive Committee Meeting at the National Convention.
2) If sent through the mail, it should be sent to: National Headquarters, The Sons of The American Legion P.O. Box 1055 Indianapolis, Indiana 46206. Return receipt should be requested. Mailed scrapbooks must be received by July 15, 2014.

Adopted by the National Executive Committee on May 7, 2000.
Charles B. Rigsby
Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation
Volunteer of the Year Award

Section I – General Data

Nominee:____________________________________________  _____________
(name, address, city, state, zip code)    (date)

Squadron #:________________________________________________________
(name, address, city, state, zip code of Squadron)

SAL Card #:____________________________ Detachment of _______________

Section II – Total VAVS Hours and Visits

Number of Hours Volunteered: _______________ Number of Visits:___________

Section III – Remarks

Volunteer Activities :_________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________
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Location of Volunteer Performance (VA Homes and Hospitals):_______________
__________________________________________________________________
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General Remarks: ___________________________________________________
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Section IV – Certification

Submitted by:_____________________ Title:_______________ Date:________

Attested by:_______________________ Title:_______________ Date:________
WHAT TO DO WHEN FILLING OUT THIS FORM

Section I – General Data

General Squadrons should submit their nominee, if available, to the Detachment Adjutant. During the Detachment Convention, the appropriate Detachment officials should select one nominee, from all requests, as the nominee from the Detachment and send it to National Headquarters no later than thirty (30) days prior to the National Convention. Only one nominee per Detachment can be submitted to National Headquarters.

Section II – Total VAVS Hours and Visits

Period The period of this volunteer award should be from Detachment Convention to Detachment Convention. Overlapping periods should not be counted.

Section III – Remarks

Activities This section should be completed in detail as to the types of volunteer activities (what the nominee actually did) that were performed. If additional space is required, please use additional paper stapled to the original form.

Location This section should list the locations (names of hospitals and homes) and location of where the nominee’s volunteer work was actually performed.

Section IV – Certification

Certification The report can be submitted by any SAL or Legion Family member (must not be related) who belongs to the same Squadron or Post. The report should be “Attested” to by the Squadron or Post Commander.

MAIL TO: SAL National Liaison
American Legion National Headquarters
P.O. Box 1055
Indianapolis, IN  46206
RESOLUTION

No. ________ Title:

TO BE FILLED IN BY THE RESOLUTIONS CHAIRMAN

Approval Recommended: ______________
Rejection Recommended: ______________
Referral to: ______________
Other Action: ______________

Signature of Resolutions Chairman:

SUBMITTED BY:
Chairman (or Detachment Commander/Adjutant)

RECEIVED BY:
Sons of The American Legion
National Update Newsletter
Report Form

This form can be submitted by any SAL member, Squadron or Detachment on any story or article that could be recommended in the SAL newsletter.

Reporter Name: ___________________________ Date: ________________

Telephone #: ___________________________ Squadron #: ___________

Detachment of ___________________________

Summary of story suggestion: ___________________________________________________

______________________________________________________________________________

______________________________________________________________________________

Who or what is the story about? Include individuals, group, Squadrons involved. Check for correct spelling of first and last names and titles: __________________________________

______________________________________________________________________________

______________________________________________________________________________

When did or will the event take place? _____________________________________________

______________________________________________________________________________

Where? ______________________________________________________________________

Why will readers be interested in the story? _________________________________________

______________________________________________________________________________

What additional information is important to the story? ________________________________

______________________________________________________________________________

______________________________________________________________________________

Who can be contacted for additional information and/or quotes? ______________________

______________________________________________________________________________

(Signature)
The American Legion National Headquarters has designed a FREE and secure internet site to assist Squadron Adjutants in their day-to-day membership processing duties. This site serves as a direct portal from the local squadron to National Headquarters’ membership system.

Features include:
- View and Edit squadron membership
- Generate reports
- Reports available in CSV file format allowing users to work with the data in other applications such as Microsoft Excel and Access
- Squadron Inquiry

Payment process for individual membership dues does not change. Your Squadron must continue to transmit membership cards and dues payments to your State Headquarters.

__________________________

Fill out this form and mail or fax to us to register. Please type or print.

Yes! We would like to sign up for MySAL Officers Portal:

State _______________  Squadron Number _______________

Contact Information: Does not have to be Squadron Adjutant. The information below indicates who to call with any questions and where to send correspondence and registration instructions once authorization to release data is received from the state headquarters.

Name: ________________________________________________________________________________

ID#: ___________________  Phone #: ________________________________

E-mail (required) __________________________________________________________________________

Signature **required**, must be Squadron Adjutant  Member ID#

Signature **required**, must be Post Adjutant  Member ID#

Mail To: The American Legion IT Division
Product Support Specialist
5745 Lee Road, Indianapolis, IN 46216
Fax: 317-860-3001  Phone: 800-433-3318
Sons of The American Legion
Detachment of Maryland

Squadron Certification Form

Squadron Name and Number:__________________________________________________________

Home Post’s Address and Phone:_______________________________________________________

Meeting Night and Time:______________________________________________________________

Squadron Commander’s Name:_________________________________________________________

Squadron Commander’s Address:_______________________________________________________

Squadron Commander’s Phone:_________________________ E-Mail Address:____________________

Squadron Adjutant’s Name:____________________________________________________________

Squadron Adjutant’s Address:__________________________________________________________

Squadron Adjutant’s Phone:_________________________ E-Mail Address:____________________

Squadron Chairman’s Name:____________________________________________________________

Squadron Chairman’s Address:________________________________________________________

Squadron Chairman’s Telephone:_________________________ E-Mail Address:___________________

I certify that the above information is correct to the best of my knowledge

____________________________________________________________
(title)

Certified officers for administrative year 20__ - 20__.

Please mail form to: Sons of The American Legion
Detachment of Maryland
3115 Orchard Ave
Baltimore, MD 21234
Sons The American Legion
Detachment of Maryland
Americanism Commission

United States Flag (Placement or Replacement) Program

Squadron Name and Number: ____________________________________________

Name of Company or Individual: __________________________________________

Address of Flag Placement/Replacement: ______________________________________

(circle one)

Name of Person Receiving Flag: ____________________________________________

(Print or Type Name)

(Signature of individual receiving the Flag)

Date of Placement/Replacement: ____________________________________________

Reason for Placement/Replacement: [ ] New [ ] Faded [ ] Tattered/Torn [ ] Stolen

Flag Size: [ ] 3’ x 5” [ ] Other

Please submit this form with replaced flag!

____________________________________________________
Squadron Commander’s Signature

Flag Placement/Replacement Rules

Squadrons may purchase flags from any source
Minimum size is 2’ x 4’
Flags must be replaced for a reason i.e., Faded, Torn, Stolen.
New Flags may be placed at business’s or private resident.
Americanism Commission Chairman will judge.
Forms must have a signature of person receiving the Flag!
Turn in replaced Flags with this form when possible.

3115 Orchard Ave. Baltimore, Maryland 21234
Website Guidelines

Adopted October 1996, Revised May 1999 by the National Executive Committee

- Squadrons and Detachments are encouraged to set up and maintain Web pages promoting the Sons of The American Legion, provided they follow a few simple guidelines.

- No individual should maintain a Web Home Page representing any Sons of The American Legion Squadron, District or Detachment without the knowledge and consent of that Squadron, District or Detachment and its sponsoring Post or Department.

- The person who places a Home Page on the Web supporting and/or promoting the Sons of The American Legion is responsible for notifying the National Headquarters of the Sons of The American Legion in writing of such page’s existence and providing the National Headquarters with the new Home Page’s URL.

- When using emblems of the Sons of The American Legion, The American Legion, and/or The American Legion Auxiliary, be sure to use a high-quality graphic. Several pages already exist which utilize quality scans of the emblem. You may wish to ask permission to download a copy of theirs if your own scan is of questionable quality.

- All Web pages related to the Sons of The American Legion must contain a link to the S.A.L. Home Page (found at http://www.sal.legion.org) and The American Legion Home Page (found at http://www.legion.org).

- It's recommended that Home Pages contain one or more links to other Squadrons' Home Pages (this is recommended as a courtesy, not a requirement).
Website Guidelines
FAQs
Links
Contact

Web Home Pages should minimize use of the abbreviation "S.A.L." All efforts should be made to spell out the organization's true name, the Sons of The American Legion.

Web pages promoting the Sons of The American Legion must not contain commercial advertisements or for-profit promotional plugs or links to such pages/sites.

Web pages related to the Sons of The American Legion must not contain any nude or pornographic images or otherwise objectionable material or links to pages containing such material.

Sons of The American Legion Home Pages should contain information pertaining to local, state and/or national programs and projects as well as links to pages that give detailed information on the programs, goals, and ideals of The American Legion and the Sons of The American Legion.

If you need help in the design of your squadron's web site contact us and we can provide answers and basic web site layouts if needed.

Your Voice
FACEBOOK
“Burn pits exposed our troops to toxins, this registry for them is a good step.”

VETERANS AFFAIRS & REHABILITATION
Benefits Center
Career Center
Education Center
Health Center
Homelessness
Service Officers
System Worth Saving
Veteran Services
Women Veterans

COMMUNITY SERVICE
American Legion Auxiliary
Family Support Network
Financial Assistance
Financial Center
Heroes to Hometowns
Legion Riders
Legiontown USA
Legislative Action Center
Media
National Emergency Fund

http://www.legion.org/sons/webguidelines  9/5/2012
Gentlemen,

The Sons of The American Legion Maryland License tag is a unique reality. The Detachment of Maryland is the only state in the nation that can boast of having their own license tag. Be proud of being a member of an organization where each and everyone of us comes from a patriotic lineage where our forefathers served our nation with honor protecting our lives and the freedoms we so enjoy. The Sons of The American Legion is the only organization that can lay claim to such a noble bloodline. For visual purposes a black & white sample is printed above. The tag you receive will be the legal size and the Sons of The American Legion emblem is in the actual colors of blue, gold and brown with all of the lettering in black. These tags would replace your current tags on your vehicle. If you are interested you must remit a one time processing fee of $25.00 to the Detachment at 3115 Orchard Ave., Baltimore, Maryland 21234, and make the check payable to the Department of Maryland, American Legion. With your check I must have a copy of your current vehicle registration which must have your name on it, and write your membership I.D. number somewhere on the copy. These tags are for Sons of The American Legion members only, so don’t forget, your name must appear on the registration and I must have your I.D. number to validate your membership. Once I receive this information I will mail you an MVA form for you to fill out and send back to me. This form will then be processed with the MVA and the SAL tag will be mailed directly to you from the MVA with the replacement month and year stickers.

Yours In Service,

Bill Matoska,
Detachment Adjutant
INDIVIDUAL RECOGNITION/ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

“THE S.A.L. BLUE BRIGADE”

A Sons of The American Legion member who recruits 30 or more NEW members into the Sons of The American Legion by the May target date will qualify for enrollment in the elite BLUE BRIGADE of The Sons of The American Legion.

A NEW MEMBER is defined as a person that has not been a member of the Sons of The American. Reinstated members do not qualify as New Members. These very special Sons of The American Legion members will be Awarded unique gifts that designate affiliation with the Blue Brigade of the Sons of The American Legion. Also, special recognition will be given to those Sons of The American Legion members enrolled in the Blue Brigade through a special announcement in the National Update. The National Commander will recognize members of the Sons of The American Legion Blue Brigade during the National Convention. The gifts awarded to a Blue Brigadier will depend on the number of times he has qualified for this award. The first time qualifier for the Blue Brigade will receive a Jacket and Blue Brigade Certificate. A second, third or fourth time winner will receive a Blue Brigade Certificate, and a “Hash Mark” for the jacket sleeve.

An S.A.L. Blue Brigadier who has earned the S.A.L. Blue Brigade Award for at least Five (5) consecutive years or more, including the current membership year, is eligible for a $150.00 gift certificate to National Emblem Sales. Department Adjutants are required to submit the certification form by the May target date.
2017 - 2018 Individual Recruitment Award

The National Membership Committee offers a recruitment pin award for those members recruiting five (5) new members into the Sons of The American Legion within a membership year. This pin is suitable to wear upon your cover or lapel. You must meet the requirements and directions listed below:

- Recruit five (5) new members to S.A.L. Must be new members only, no renewals.
- All information must be legible. Un-readable forms will not be accepted.
- The new members membership record must be available on the national database.
- This form must be sent prior to midnight of August 31, 2018.
- Only one (1) award pin per member regardless of the total new members recruited.
- American Legion Family members are also eligible for this award.
- Information must be spelled out and complete. No Abbreviations.

Recruiter Information

Name__________________________________________ Member ID# ______________________________

Address________________________________ City________________ State_____ Zip Code__________

Full Squadron Name/Number_________________________ Detachment________________

Email________________________________________ Phone________________________

Unless specified different, the pin will be sent to the above address

New Member Information

#1 Name________________________________________ 6 Digit Sequential Card or ID # ______________

#2 Name________________________________________ 6 Digit Sequential Card or ID # ______________

#3 Name________________________________________ 6 Digit Sequential Card or ID # ______________

#4 Name________________________________________ 6 Digit Sequential Card or ID # ______________

#5 Name________________________________________ 6 Digit Sequential Card or ID # ______________

VERIFYING SIGNATURES

(Underline) SQUAD / POST COMMANDER________________________ DATE________________

(Underline) SQUAD / POST ADJUTANT____________________________ DATE________________

(Required) SQUADRON ADVISOR______________________________ DATE________________

RETURN COMPLETED FORMS TO: (Regional Membership Chairman)

East- Mark Nave (PA) coolcameo@aol.com 10 N 50th St, Philadelphia, PA 19139
South- Raymond Rollins (GA raymondrollins@yahoo.com 9685 Reinhardt College Pkwy, Waleska, GA 30183
Central- Brian Kessler (IA) kesslerb@mchsi.com PO Box 624, Lake Park, IA 51347
Midwest-Charles Keith (WY) crkeith@hotmail.com PO Box 433, Lander, WY 82520
West- Joseph Roberts (AZ) azmembership@yahoo.com 6501 E Calle La Paz, Unit A, Tucson, AZ 85715

PINS WILL BE MAILED AT THE END OF EACH MONTH
USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY
CERTIFICATION FORM
SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION
BLUE BRIGADE
FIFTH CONSECUTIVE YEAR OR MORE AWARD

Departments: Send to National Headquarters by the May Target Date

The following member of the Detachment of ____________________________
qualifies for the fifth consecutive year or more S.A.L. “Blue Brigade”
Award for enrolling thirty or more New members into the Sons of The
American Legion by the May target date.
This award is a $150.00 gift certificate for the following:

National Emblem Sales

(Please Type or Print)
Name ____________ Post No. ________ Mem. ID# _______________

Phone (____) _______ Years of being a S.A.L. Blue Brigader 20___-20___

Certified:
________________________________
Department Adjutant (signature)
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Date
Sons of The American
CERTIFICATION FORM
NEW MEMBER LISTING

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HONORARY LIFE MEMBER PROGRAM

The “Honorary Life” membership program is a Post/Squadron award that may be given to any SAL member (must be a current SAL member who has shown proof of eligibility) as an award for an official deed or recognition made by the Post/Squadron to any Sons of The American Legion member, if available and authorized through the Post. This program is similar to that of The American Legion and is a Post/Squadron award only. There are no forms or requests to be submitted beyond the Post level, but only through the Post itself. If awarded, the Squadron is responsible for submitting the annual membership dues accordingly. If the membership dues are not submitted by the Squadron, the responsibility reverts back to the individual. The life program is not transferable to any other Post/Squadron. Caution should be exercised in awarding this award, as the Squadron is responsible for accounting for this action for the life of the individual. Do not confuse “Honorary Life” with any paid up for life program that some Detachments have. Effective for 2008, the new SAL member data forms will contain a block on the form to reflect “Honorary Life Membership”. If a Squadron awards this to an individual member, please forward a member data form by marking the appropriate box to reflect “Honorary Life Membership”. This honorary life information will be printed each year on the Squadron membership register and will reflect a code “H” in the right margin of the register only. This will assist Squadron Adjutants in identifying their Squadrons honorary members. All actions and questions regarding honorary life membership is a responsibility of the individual Squadron. Again, this procedure does not apply to any Detachment PUFL program, if available.
Sons of The American Legion

“Snapshots of Service”

2017-2018 Submittal Form

This form and a brief description must be sent with your entry

Squadron#__________
Detachment__________________________

Attached are________ photos under the following category,

Americanism                                                      ______
Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation               ______
Children and Youth                                           ______
National Security                                          ______

Email this form along with your photos to Damon Bradtmueller at djbradtmueller@att.net