



**The Detachment of Louisiana  
Sons of The Year Award (page 2)  
Commander's Choice Award (page 3)**

Sons of the Year (American Legion) or the Commander's Choice Award (Detachment Commander) is a prestigious award, which is funded through The American Legion and the Detachment Commander and is awarded annually at the Department/Detachment Convention. Of the 60 active Squadrons with membership there is a hard working, dependable, and volunteering member who has served his Squadron for a number of years and is deserving of being nominated. The number of Squadrons that nominate a member has been few and far between over the years. This award cannot be presented unless there are applications that apply for this award. Commander makes the determining factor if these awards will be presented.

Procedures for Selecting and Nominating:

1. Use the regular recommendations form or write a narrative about your potential member.
2. Any Squadron member, who is a former recipient of the award at the Detachment level, may nominate an individual from their Squadron. Any member of The American Legion Family may nominate an individual they feel qualifies. The nominee must be a member of the organization for at least two (2) years. A member elected to a Detachment position does not qualify for the Sons of the Year, but may qualify for the Commander's Choice Award. (see attached forms)
3. The Detachment Commander, individually, will select only one to receive the Sons of the Year and Commander's Choice Award. Those selected from your Squadron for the Sons of the Year Award will be determined and presented at The American Legion's Department Convention. The Commander's Choice Award will be determined and presented at the Detachment Convention.
4. The Sons of the Year will also receive an estimated \$175.00 check from The American Legion and will be present at the same time. The Cost of the plaque come out of the \$200.00 and the balance is presented to the individual winner.
5. the Commander's Choice Award has no monetary donation, but the Commander awards a plaque.

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