

Sons of The American Legion — Detachment of Arizona

Detachment Education & Awards...

Deadline:
May 31, 2024!

Hello Brothers,

Once again it is time to recognize those Sons of the American Legion members and squadrons who have made significant contributions to our organization and the American Legion family. These awards are the Detachment of Arizona Son of the Year Award, The Richard Kepler Memorial Award and the James Ashley Memorial Award.

In order to submit for a squadron or individual award from the Detachment, a letter of recommendation will be needed on Squadron letterhead on or before Friday, May 27, 2023. The deadline is firm by the close of business on that Friday. All submittals are encouraged to be submitted by e-mail to both the Awards Chairman and the Detachment Adjutant's e-mail addresses.

Do you know who should win one of these awards?

- ✓ **Kepler Award** – Squadron with the highest per-capita in charitable contributions.
- ✓ **Wyman Award** – Squadron with the most progress on Five Star and Ten Ideals programs.
- ✓ **Son of the Year** - Detachment Member who best exemplifies what a Son of the American Legion should be.
- ✓ **Lorton Award** – Detachment Member with the best idea for the betterment of the Squadron, Post, or Community.
- ✓ **Ashley Award** - Detachment Member with outstanding achievements in fundraising resulting in the highest donations.

Your submittal letter should contain all pertinent information about the award being applied for, signed by the Squadron Advisor, Squadron Commander, and/or Squadron Adjutant. **The email addresses are: chucktreat@aol.com AND SALadjutant@aol.com or by us mail received by Friday May 31, 2024 at the Detachment Headquarters, % Detachment Awards,**

4701 N 19 Ave, suite 200, Phoenix, AZ 85015. Hand delivered submittals will not be accepted, all entries are either postmarked or e-mail time stamped.

You will find the applications for all 5 awards included with this package and also available on the SAL website: www.azsal.org.

The Detachment has five major awards each year. They are as follows:

Individual Awards

Detachment Son of the Year

Form A

Awarded to the Member who best exemplifies what a Son of the American Legion should be. Outline should include all information about the member's involvement in volunteerism, fund raising, participation in patriotic observances, and any other participation pertinent to the award.

If your Squadron has selected a "Squadron Son of the Year" you have a candidate to place before the Detachment Awards Committee

The James Ashley Memorial Award

Form B

Ashley Award – Detachment Members who was instrumental in raising the most money in a single membership year.

This award is given to one Detachment Member that has raised the most money for the Legion Family efforts through asking for donations and seeing to it the programs are funded with donations. Who do you have in your Squadron that will "cross the moat" and "ask for the order" to the benefit of the Legion Charities? They are not "brazen" in the asking, but they are passionate for the goals we seek to achieve and relentlessly pursue those efforts.

For their tireless efforts to support the programs, don't let their hard work go unrecognized!

The C. G. Lorton Memorial Award

Form C

Lorton Award - Best Idea for the betterment of the Squadron, Post or Community

This award is given to the member who contributes the best idea for the betterment of the Post home, Squadron, or the Community. Any idea big or small should be submitted for this award. An idea that has a small effect locally, may blossom

into a statewide or even a national movement. Ask yourself, did the idea make a difference in how your Squadron or Posts operates from the moment the idea was proposed compared to previous years? If so, you have a candidate for this award.

Squadron Awards

The Ken Wyman Memorial Award

Form D

Wyman Award - Most progress on Five star and Ten Ideals programs.

For the Squadron who shows the most progress on the Ten Ideal and Five Star Programs. I would encourage all Squadrons who have done anything towards Ten Ideal or Five Star programs to put in for this Award. We have given this award out in the past with as little as two Ten Ideal awards. And the awards are given on a per-capita basis, to level the playing field for smaller Squadrons.

The Richard Kepler Memorial Award

Form E

Kepler Award - highest per-capita Charitable Contributions.

For the Squadron with the most per-capita charitable contributions in the fiscal year. Add up all your Squadrons charitable contributions and divide that number by your membership total from the previous year. This is where your Consolidated Squadron Report can help you with your submittal! *Include a copy of your CPR in addition to your Kepler Award form.*

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call or e-mail me.

**For God and Country,
Chuck Treat, Trophy and Awards Committee
ChuckTreat@aol.com or 480-239-2844**

The Ken Wyman Memorial Award

PURPOSE: To recognize an Arizona Squadron that made the most progress on the Five Star and Ten Ideals Programs during the current membership Year (July 1, 2023 – May 31, 2024).

QUALIFICATIONS: The applicant is a member in good standing and has least 2 consecutive years with the same squadron. The accomplishments of this applicant should have been completed during the current membership year or service in consecutive years.

The Applicant has NOT recieved this Award from the Detachment in any prior years.

The application **MUST** be signed by the Squadron Commander, Squadron Adjutant and Post Commander.

The application deadline is Friday, May 31, 2024. All Applications must be either e-mailed OR Mailed to arrive by the deadline. Hand delivered copies will not be accepted! All entries are postmarked or email time-stamped.

By e-mail: **saladjutant@azlegion.org**

or by US Postal Service: **Detachment of Arizona, % Detachment Awards, 4701 N 19 Ave, Suite 200, Phoenix, AZ 85015**

Squadron's full name: _____ Squadron # _____

Total Membership by May 31, 2024: _____ Percentage of this years Membership Goal: _____

Total Pins ordered through the Detachment Adjutant this year: _____

Progress on both programs

# of Pins Earned	Program information	Name	Progress Remaining to Completion	Five Star Completed	Ten Ideals
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Notes on Progress and Program Activity:

Please use additional pages as needed



Attested: _____

Squadron Commander

Squadron Adjutant

Post Commander

