

The Sons of The American Legion Public, Media & Communications Commission
proudly announces the
2026 National **“Snapshots of Service”** Photo Contest!

Q: What is Snapshots of Service?

A: Snapshots of Service is a photo contest open to all Sons of The American Legion squadrons from every Detachment. Any squadron can submit up to 3 photos of their members of any age engaging in activities that highlight the “Four Pillars of The American Legion”, Americanism, Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation, Children & Youth, and National Security.

Q: What are the rules?

A: The rules are simple. Take up to three (3) photos per category (you can submit in as many or as few categories as you like) and submit them in .jpg or TIFF format that show your members performing acts of service that fit into the category that you are submitting. Members should be wearing their covers, or some sort of identifiable clothing (eg. An SAL jacket or shirt) during the activity. The entry form contains more details and space to include information about the photo. Photos will be judged on Quality of Photo, Best Photo that symbolizes the support for the Four Pillars by the Sons of The American Legion and must have a SONS member or members in the photo. More details are included in the entry form.

Q: What is the deadline for submissions?

A: The submission deadline is June 30th 2026.

Q: What do we win?

A: First and Second place plaques from National will be awarded in EACH of the four categories. Additionally, all the photos submitted will be displayed in a slideshow on the National Convention floor.

Q: Is there anything else we need to know?

A: All entries must also include the completed Media Release Forms for all the adults and children in the photos.

Q: How do we enter?

A: Squadrons can enter by filling out the entry form and submitting it with your photo(s) by mail or email by no later than June 30th.

The complete contest rules, along with the Entry Form and Media Release Forms can be downloaded here: Snapshots of Service Rules, Award, and Media Release (link)

