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# **SUN LAKES SENIOR SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION**

## **ANNUAL AWARDS POLICY & PROCEDURES**

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This policy sets forth procedures for selecting annual award winners.

### **AWARD CATEGORIES:**

#### **Suns and Lakes Divisions:**

Most Improved Player (MIP) for each division

Rookie of the Year (ROTY) for each division

Sportsmanship Award(SA) for each division

Top Five Batters - for each division

#### **Lady Sluggers:**

Ladies 600 Club

Sportslady award

Rookie of the Year

#### **All Divisions:**

Steve Hilby Spirit of Sun Lakes Softball Award

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## **ELIGIBILITY:**

To be eligible for Most Improved Player, Rookie of the Year, and Sportsmanship Award in all divisions; you must be a member in good standing in the SLSSA and must participate in Tuesday-Friday league play. The Rookie of the Year candidates in each division must be in the first year of Tuesday-Friday league play.

The Top Five Batters awards will be determined by a formula similar to the one used in major league baseball.

Suns Division: total number of games played for the year in the Tuesday-Friday league, multiplied by 3.4 to get the number of at bats necessary to qualify.

Lakes Division: total number of games played for the year in the Tuesday-Friday league, multiplied by 2.7 to get the number of at bats necessary to qualify.

Ladies 600 club may vary depending on how many qualify.

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## **STEVE HILBY SPIRIT OF SUN LAKES SOFTBALL AWARD**

This is our most prestigious award and does not necessarily need to be given every year. To be eligible for this award a member must clearly separate themselves from all other candidates by contributing to the well being and success of the Association and must receive a major majority of votes from the SLSSA board members. This is a monetary award and the person winning this will not be eligible to win again for another five years.

## **SELECTION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE AWARDS:**

At the March Board meeting, a Board member shall be appointed by the full Board to coordinate the selection of candidates for MIP, ROTY, and SA. The Board member will solicit nominations from team managers for each category. Managers may nominate players from any team, including their

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own team. Prior to the year end tournament, the full Board shall convene to vote for the winners of each category other than The Top Five Club and Ladies 600 Club. (Membership to The Top Five Club shall not require a vote. Those members will be selected based upon their on base percentages for the total of the fall, winter and spring seasons.)

### **AWARD PRESENTATIONS:**

Certificates for the top five batters in each division will be presented at the year end tournament.

The Steve Hilby Spirit of Sun Lakes Softball and all other awards will be presented at the annual social event.