Successful nominations for past Local Chapter of the Year Awards:

- For outstanding science sharing and outreach activities promoting the NWA and weather, such as sponsoring a regional conference and a regional workshop, maintaining a local chapter web page, participation on Facebook, and awarding an educational scholarship.
- For exemplary outreach, mentoring, and science sharing activities which have significantly raised the awareness of the weather and the NWA in both their community and region.
- For outstanding initiatives, such as successful execution of a nationally recognized conference, development of exemplary mentorship and community outreach; and significantly raising awareness of the NWA and impacts to weather.
- For spreading the word and heightening awareness of the National Weather Association throughout the high plains region using many diverse outreach activities by chapter members.
- For outstanding science sharing and educational activities and participation in charity and volunteer activities within the local community.
- For excellence in raising weather awareness in the citizens of central lowa for over ten years, organizing the annual Severe Storms and Doppler Radar Conferences, and developing the Pam Daale Memorial Scholarship in Meteorology.
- For the commitment to continuing education by hosting the annual Southeast Severe Storms Symposium.