1147-11-403    **Omer Offen\***, offen@brandeis.edu. *Symplectic periods and restriction to the special linear group.* For a given L-packet of irreducible representations of SL(2n) over a non-archimedean local field such that its members admit a symplectic model, Dijols and Prasad conjectured an explicit relation between the symplectic model and the maximal unipotent orbit each member satisfies. I will present a proof of their conjecture for L-packets associated with ladder representations of GL(2n) (and for many other representations). Along the way, we explore a new relation between highest derivatives and existence of symplectic models for representations of GL(2n). (Received January 22, 2019)