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The National Society of Pershing Rifles (NSPR) 2022 National Convention will be held in Lexington, Kentucky. Mark you calendar for March 10—13!

The National Society of Pershing Rifles Alumni Association (NSPRAA) reports that it has only 258 financial (active) members. National Alumni President Willis Madden requests that all local and regional alumni associations promote membership development in the NSPRAA. Dues are \$60 per year.

It was recently reported that the NSPR no longer provides a ribbon, fourragere or membership certificate to initiates. These items must be purchased through the online merchandising store.

Your local L-4 Alumni Association ended the calendar year with 47 active members. This total might seem low, however, the previous year (2020) concluded with just 43 active members. This is a net gain of 4 members or a 9.3% increase—quite a difference as we had been shrinking in total membership since 2014, the year we were chartered by the NSPRAA. The L-4AA attrition corner has been turned since the 2020 reinstatement of L-4!

Your association's scholarship fundraising reached another benchmark at the end of the year exceeding its goal by 300%. Thanks to your donations, the Congleton-Etheridge Memorial Scholarship Fund has now reached the \$6,000 level. Over half the active membership (60%) contributed to the 2021 fundraising campaign. Thank you very much brothers and sisters! Your fraternal legacy is demonstrated in the company by your gifts of generosity.

L-4's Cody Broughton is the recipient of the <u>first</u> annual Congleton-Etheridge Memorial Scholarship. Cadet Broughton received a check for \$1,000 earlier in the month to help pay his spring semester expenses. Cody's achievement is being recognized before the Wolfpack Battalion during the ROTC military ball on February 26th. Congratulations Cody!

The Scholarship Committee Chair, Thomas Swanson, reports that he hopes to present multiple grants in the future depending on fundraising efforts. It's believed by the committee that a \$1,000 grant is the least it can offer to attract applications. Gifts are received throughout the year and especially during the fall quarter.

Fraternally, Joe Harris Director of Administration