

L-4 ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, INC. www.L4AA.org

BOARD PRESIDENT'S Message #18

April 1, 2024

Dear Valued Member,

- 1. It's my pleasure to introduce Michelle (née Mills) Rose as our newest member. Michelle was initiated into L-4 in 1986. After graduating, she received a commission and has remained active in the reserve component, and she is currently serving as a major general at the headquarters of the US Army Material Command. Her rise into the general officer ranks of the army has placed her name on the Pershing Rifles' Heritage List of Notable Alumni under the Military Category. Major General Michelle Rose, Dr. Chip Martin, and General Hugh Shelton are the three alumni members currently listed from Company L 4th Regiment on the Pershing Rifles distinguished list of notable alumni. Welcome aboard, Michelle! We're proud of your many accomplishments.
- **2.** Our most recent membership reinstatement is from "Big Sky" Montana. Welcome back Don Coon!
- **3.** Association member and director, Thomas Swanson was recently cited for his devotion to the Pershing Rifles community. During the alumni dinner at the recent national convention in Knoxville, Tennessee, Thomas became the first recipient from L-4AA to receive the Unsung Hero Award for his Chairmanship of the Scholarship Committee. Congratulations Thomas, your work doesn't go unnoticed.
- **4.** Also during the recent alumni dinner in Knoxville, L-4AA was recognized as the NSPRA "Company of the Year" for 2023. The citations reads as follows: "For providing outstanding service to the Fraternity and to their membership with the best overall set of programs and activities, and recognizes outstanding work, participation, and accomplishments by the Alumni company." A team award, it took many hours of concerted effort to earn this bestowed honor. Thanks to everyone in making this recognition possible!
- **5.** Before the conclusion of the convention in Knoxville, the Pershing Rifles Group announced that Wilmington, North Carolina is the site of the March 2025 National Convention. What an opportunity this is for our alumni and undergraduate PRs.
- **6.** L-4 Change of Command Ceremony and scholarship presentation is scheduled for April 3rd in Pullen Park under Shelter #5 at, 3:30 p.m. Honorary PR Major Tanya Tersillo is scheduled to attend.
- 7. The annual Army ROTC military ball is scheduled for April 19th in Cary, NC. The guest speaker is an L-4 PR!

Fraternally yours,