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BOARD PRESIDENT'S Message #11

September 1, 2023

This year marks 70 years of P/Rs at NC State University! To celebrate this remarkable milestone, a 190 page book has been assembled to assist in fundraising for the Congleton-Etheridge Memorial Scholarship. Last year, not one, but two scholarships were presented! To repeat this wonderful financial support, a one-of-a-kind cookbook/history book titled **Tidbits** has been created for our growing membership. There will be more information on the purchase of **Tidbits** in the October message.

When you receive your annual dues renewal letter, you'll have an opportunity to donate to the scholarship fund. Don't wait. When renewing your annual dues amount, please consider a donation of \$50, \$100, \$200 or more to the Congleton-Etheridge Memorial Scholarship Fund. Your generosity is a wonderful way to support the development of future leaders.

Donating to the L-4AA is one way to assist in our annual activities. Many of us donate and regularly too. Have you considered a gift of securities? A distribution from your IRA if you're 70 1/2 or older is another way help lower your yearly tax burden. Whether you gift now or later, planned gifts ultimately make it easier without disrupting your style of living. Please remember Pershing Rifles and your alumni association in your will or trust.

On August 26th, I attended a Commander's Call hosted by the NSPRAA Membership Committee Chair. Below are the most salient points from that meeting:

- NSPRAA newsletter set to launch in the latter half of this month or early October.
- Annual AUSA convention is scheduled for 8-11 October 2023 in Washington, DC.
- The Crowne Plaza Hotel in downtown Knoxville, Tennessee is the site for the next NATCON. The annual meeting runs from 13-17 March 2024.
- NSPRAA Lifetime Membership is on the PRG agenda for consideration.

I ask that you keep several members of our family in your thoughts and prayers. Kathy Hancock and Charlie Leverett are recuperating from elective surgeries.

Happy Labor Day and fraternally,