



L-4 Alumni Association, Inc.

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Subject: Monthly Activity Update

Dear Valued Member,

Members of the board of directors wish you and yours the warmest thoughts for a wonderful Christmas Day and a very happy New Year.

The response to the fall fund-raising campaign was overwhelming. The Congleton—Etheridge Memorial Scholarship Fund is increasing. The original fall fund-raising goal was to finish the year at the \$2,000 level, but, thanks to the generosity of the membership, it has grown to \$4,000. Your gifts are always welcomed. All donations to the scholarship fund are tax deductible. If you wish to make a monthly, quarterly or yearly pledge to the scholarship fund, please contact me.

The general operating fund continues to grow allowing the association to branch out in other ways than scholarships to worthy P/Rs. While the collection of dues helps to offset annual expenses, contributions in any amount to the general fund helps provide flexibility when opportunities arise.

We have been very blessed despite all the COVID-19 restrictions. Our active company ends the semester with 21 P/Rs and one honorary P/R. Company commander Teshawn Lee graduated and was commissioned a second lieutenant on December 4, 2020. That same day Teshawn became the first new alumnus thus ending a very long zero growth period for the association.

The new company commander is William McCormick, a cadet at NC State's Department of Military Science. There will be more about the new commander in next month's update.

Invoices were mailed several months ago. If you did not receive your letter from Darlene Williams, Director of Finance, please contact me. My contact information is in the footer of this correspondence. For those who have remitted, thank you for your continued loyal support.

I close out this update and unusual year with another short story for your reading pleasure. The War of 1812 is often referred to as the second war for American independence. Just prior to the Christmas of 1814, "Old Hickory" made it clear that New Orleans would not surrender without a vigorous fight. Tap the link for this story.

<https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/night-battle-before-new-orleans-joe-harris/>

Fraternally,

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