

My Fellow Sons,

As we enter this final week of 2025, I want to thank you for your unwavering commitment to our Veterans and their families. This year, the Sons of The American Legion achieved an all-time record of over 400,000 plus members, and that momentum is only growing as we look toward 2026.

As a National Vice Commander, I am focused on several key priorities for our organization:

**2026 Membership Renewal:** Your 2025 membership expires on December 31, 2025. To remain in good standing and avoid becoming delinquent on January 1, please renew your membership immediately.

**"Be the One" Mission:** As we continue to support National American Legion Commander Dan Wiley's & National SAL Commander Bill Clancy's primary mission to end Veteran suicide, I encourage every member to participate in the Be the One training to learn how to save a life.

**The USA 250 Challenge:** Join us in celebrating America's 250th birthday by participating in the USA 250 Challenge, with a commitment to physical activity, mental health support, or community service. Log 250 miles or hours between now and July 4, 2026, to raise funds for the Veterans & Children Foundation.

**Buddy Checks:** Reach out to your fellow Sons, especially those who have not yet renewed for 2026. A simple check-in ensures no brother is left behind.

Our strength lies in our "Family" approach. By working alongside The American Legion and the Auxiliary, we remain "Better Together" in serving our communities.

Thank you for your continued service and for honoring our priceless heritage. I look forward to seeing many of you in the upcoming year.

For God and Country,

Bryan Hine  
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Southeast Region 2025/2026