

Greetings,

We are off and working to make 2023/24 a great year! What a honor to be elected as your national commander and be able to represent my grandfather's service in the Army during World War II. "Representing More Than Me" is my slogan for the year because I truly believe that is what the Sons of The American Legion should be all about. As we sign the membership paper it is a commitment to pay respect to our family members service in our military. Let's make sure that our commitment is worth the sacrifices they made.

I believe in the Four Pillars of our organization, and what they stand for. The American Legion was built believing in VA&R, Americanism, Children & Youth and National Security are they are still the core beliefs of what the American Legion Family stands for. I have issued a Commander's challenge to all Squadrons to support the four pillars and become a National Four Pillar Squadron. To do so all you need to do is raise one dollar per member for each OCW (VA&R), CWF (Children and Youth) your Department's Boys State program (Americanism) and hold a blood drive (National security). You will then receive a award for being a National Four Pillar Squadron. That is not that hard to do, if we plan and work to get it done.

I believe that the Sons of The American Legion can reach new heights and crush our records for hours volunteered and donations. It will take all of us working and believing in the work we do to help our veterans, children and community.

Aaron Tippon sang a song that said, " You got to stand for something or you will fall for anything". Let's stand for what is right and show that our families' service is worth all of us being the best son we can be. "Be The One" in more ways than one.

Presenting More Than Me,

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Sons of The American Legion