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Greetings from your SONS. To begin our springtime, here are a few things you may not know about the Sons of The American Legion...

The Sons of The American Legion is a nationwide veteran's service program of over 350,000 men that meet to develop activities and share information to serve Veterans and our local communities to make our country a better place.

We work to rid our country of homeless veterans, we support many children's charities, and lobby our legislatures on all Veterans issues.

We make friends and have fun while serving others.

The Sons of The American Legion is a nationwide organization made up of descendants of US Veterans devoted to the concept of service above self through involvement in community, educational and charitable events. 350,000 men nationally share the vision of ...

- People helping veterans and their families in communities and nationwide.
- Making differences in the lives of all children.
- Social events of fun, friendship and fundraising.

The Sons of The American Legion is a service organization consisting of descendants of Veterans in over 5,000 squadrons around the US active in their communities and united on a mission to promote Americanism and the values of Justice, Freedom, and Democracy.

Some of its success stories are donations of over \$7 Million dollars since 1986 to The American Legion Child Welfare Foundation, Donations to the "Legacy Scholarship Fund" for grants to the children whose parent gave their lives in service to our country, and the continued support of all Veterans that have serviced in the US Armed Services.

Yours in Service,
Phil Shipley, Detachment Commander



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The Sons of The American Legion changes lives in our communities and throughout the country.

The Sons of The American Legion is a fun way to help the United States your way.

The Sons of The American Legion is an over 84-year-old national network of over 350,000 men, descendants of Veterans, joined in fellowship and friendship in over 5,000 squadrons in 50 states and 2 countries., making a difference in our communities, state, and nation. And we have collaborated in raising over 7 million dollars to assist in funding The American Legion Child Welfare Foundation that annually issues grants to non-for-profit organizations that support children's issues everywhere.

We are motivated by Service above Self.

The American Legion has celebrated April as Children & Youth Month since 1938, and this year will be no different. April is the perfect time of the year to demonstrate that The American Legion Family is committed to its community, and especially its children.

Children represent the future of our nation and it is up to us to equip them with knowledge, leadership skills and a commitment to service that they will use as productive adult citizens of the United States.”

The purpose of the Children and Youth Committee is to formulate, recommend and implement plans, programs and activities designed to:

- Assume care and protection for children of Veterans.
- Improve conditions for all children and youth, with due concerns for maintaining the integrity of the family home.
- Prevent social and physical ills of children and youth where possible.
- Maintain a balanced program that provides for their physical, emotional, intellectual and spiritual needs.



There are a great deal of things that, we as members of The American Legion Family, can do ourselves for the children of this country. Children and Youth month is APRIL. Please try and carry out an activity of some kind. Remember you can always make a donation to one of the American Legion Charities that benefit our Children.

For God and Country,

Phil Shipley