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Greetings, Sons of The American Legion!

Have you heard about The American Legion's USA 250 Challenge? American Legion National Commander James LaCoursiere kicked off the event last week. It's a year-long celebration, leading to our great nation's 250<sup>th</sup> birthday next July.

This is a great opportunity for the SAL to step forward and show our commitment to our nation and its veterans - especially at the squadron level, the heart and soul of the SAL.

The USA 250 Challenge is modeled after The American Legion's 100 Miles for Hope, but broadens it beyond just physical fitness. In the challenge, participants can choose to complete one or more of the three categories – physical activities, mental wellness, and/or community service.

And because participants can complete the challenge categories as part of a team, it's a perfect way for squadrons to join the USA 250 Challenge with each member getting credit.

Squadrons could place 250 flags at a veterans' cemetery; log 250 hours of community service at a VA medical center; teach flag etiquette to 250 students; and more.

I am encouraging all SAL squadrons and members to go to [The American Legion USA 250 Challenge page](#) to learn more and to register. It's just \$30 to register; when you do, you'll receive a branded T-shirt to promote the challenge. Make sure you select the SAL blue shirt.

Proceeds from registration will also support the Veterans & Children Foundation (VCF).

Sons, let's celebrate America and take on the USA 250 Challenge with all our might. We are #SALStrong.

Respectfully,



NATIONAL COMMANDER  
SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

Joseph Navarrete

**" Todo es posible con Dios y Familia "**

*Everything is possible with God and Family*