

## Commander-in-Chief Doc Schmitz has laid down a challenge to all VFW Posts for the month of April 2020!

Right now, many of us and our fellow veterans are in various degrees of isolation during this time of great national concern. As members of the VFW, we need to make sure that none of our comrades are going through this alone.

For April's Commander's Challenge, we are going to focus on contacting our members. Take this month to get in touch with your Post members and do a wellness check, make sure that they're okay, and let them know that the VFW is here for them. Also, this is an opportunity to call those whose dues are expiring, have already expired, or are on your Unpaid lists and check in with them as well.

*We will be holding a drawing from the top five Posts in each Division, based on the number of Renewing and Reinstated members for the month of April, to receive a \$1000 stipend deposited into the Post account.*

Most importantly, we want all of our members to know that during this stressful time, that the VFW is here for them and that we will all get through this together.

Our strength as an organization comes from our membership, and during this season we want to give our thanks to the members and Posts who are doing the hard work of recruiting, retaining, and mentoring our membership to help the Veterans of Foreign Wars prove that we **DARE TO CARE** when it comes to serving our fellow veterans!

Membership totals will be figured from April 1st through April 30. All membership numbers for this contest will be final as of that time. Members processed through the Online Membership System before 5:00pm Central time on April 30th will be processed that day; membership applications sent in via fax or mail will be processed when received.

