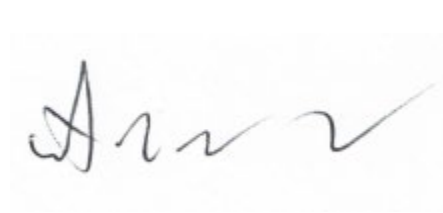


Bulletin No. 2, District 10, Department of Virginia, 8/24/2020

1. **Veteran Support** – With COVID-19, a lot has changed with what we do and how we do it. But one thing that has not changed is our focus on supporting Veterans. Next month, September, is National Suicide Prevention Month. Reach out to your fellow comrades and make sure they are coping OK with everything going on in the world these days. The Veterans Crisis Line is free, anonymous, confidential, and available 24/7 at 1-800-273-8255, even if you're not registered with the VA.
2. **District Inspections** – The first Post inspection has been completed and a few others have been scheduled. Please work with the District 10 inspector, Ben Guinan (adjdist10@vfwva.org), to get the inspections scheduled and completed. As a reminder, the Department Commander is requiring all Posts to have an inspection binder. The binder will include all info required during the inspection. The binder should be in order of the inspection sheet and tabbed.
3. **Community Reports** – With social distancing and all the requirements that come with the world we're living in, community work has been more challenging. As of this writing, 70% of Posts in the District have at least one community report in each category for the first half of the year. That's fantastic! Keep the reports coming and make sure Department has visibility of all the great work being done in District 10. If you need any assistance with reports, need any advice on what counts in what category, or just need some ideas on what can be done for a given category, feel free to contact me directly. We still have some time to get those reports in for the first half, but it would be nice if each Post could get in at least one in each category early so we can knock that out before things start ramping up in other areas.
4. **Patriot's Pen, Voice of Democracy, and Teacher of the Year** – With most schools starting the year with virtual classes, the traditional practice of visiting schools to promote our programs may not be viable this year. Lots of school systems have email addresses listed for their staff on their websites so finding contact information should still be possible without visiting the actual schools. Reach out wherever you can to get the word out on these programs. Don't forget to promote these programs with your own members as well and ask them to spread the word to their family and friends.

5. **District Meetings** – District 10 will have four meetings plus a School of Instruction (SOI) during the 2020-2021 year as follows:
- 9/20/2020 at VFW Post 1503. SOI at 9am
 - 9/20/2020 at VFW Post 1503. Lunch at 12pm, meeting at 1pm
 - 12/6/2020 at VFW Post 9274. Lunch at 12pm, meeting at 1pm
 - 3/7/2021 at VFW Post 1503 – Awards Ceremony. Lunch at 11:30am, meeting at 1pm
 - 5/2/2021 at VFW Post 1503 – District Convention. Lunch at 11:30am, meeting at 1pm



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