

Comrades of the Pacific,

Hope all took time to take part in remembering and celebrating POW/MIA Day. Please take the time to submit any articles or photos of your events to the monthly TYPHOON, so that all the comrades of the Pacific Areas can see how each Post or District celebrated POW/MIA Day.

We are already a quarter into the current year and before you know it, we will be at the C of A. We are doing okay with recruiting but should be doing a lot better. Please recruit early and getting new members involved with all the VFW programs and community activities. VFW National asks each of us to devote ourselves to VFW programs in our community and in recruiting new members. As you heard many times our membership is our strength in communicating with Congress and the President. So please carry application forms and ask those members you meet to join, do not wait for them to walk up and ask you if they can join. We have to do a better job of promoting the great organization we are. This will ensure that members will stay a VFW member for Life and give other veterans a reason to want to be a part of our great organization.

I hope you are actively working with your local schools, to get nominees for the Voice of Democracy, Patriot's Pen and Teachers Awards. These awards are due by November 1st to the Post.

Please make sure your posts report all your program accomplishments, i.e. NMS, Buddy Poppies, Teachers Awards, Voice of Democracy, Patriots Pen and other activities. When looking at achieving All-State and All-American status it is the responsibility of the Post to ensure all programs and activities have been completed and reported and a majority of the requirements can be completed by the C of A.

If you need any help or have any suggestions, please don't hesitate to contact me. You may email me at: [pdcmoses@vfwdeptpacific.org](mailto:pdcmoses@vfwdeptpacific.org). Thanks for all that you do for Veterans, their widows, and their orphans.