



Dear Chapter Presidents and Representatives,

It has been another week of a new normal. I hope you are all still doing well and being safe. The FFVF team continues to plan and prepare for a busy summer and even busier fall with the rescheduled Spirit of America Programs. Our maintenance team is also extremely busy. They are using this time to make much needed repairs on campus and give each building a deep cleaning.

This week we reached out to all teachers registered for a summer graduate program. The update told them we are still planning on running all the courses as planned. The first program is still 11 weeks away so we are hopeful that time is on our side.

We also announced the rescheduled dates for Spirit of America. FFVF III scheduled for April 16-19 is now rescheduled for **October 8-11, 2020** and FFVF IV scheduled for April 23-26 is now rescheduled for **October 22-25, 2020**. Thank you to all our chapters who are now contacting their students and moving forward with the new plans. We are encouraged that we will have 2 full programs. Our MOWW sponsored Spirit of America program has also been rescheduled from the spring to October 29-November 1, 2020.

One program currently moving forward is the 43rd Annual Leavey Awards. Entries were submitted in March and we have a panel currently reviewing submissions. An announcement on the Leavey Class of 2020 is still scheduled for early May.

Yesterday, we sent out a Constant Contact email message asking all of our chapter members to help us find good news stories that we can share. We are hoping that past National Award recipients and our own members are doing acts of kindness and making a positive impact in their communities during this difficult time. If you have a story to share, please send it to my attention at csantangelo@ffvf.org. I will pass it along to Jason and David who will be making a series of video messages to share with all our supporters that will be focusing on civic virtue.

If you are looking for a great read about the current climate, visit our website (www.freedomfoundation.org) to read an article by our Executive Vice President, Jason Raia. Its entitled "Civic Responsibility in the Time of Coronavirus"

Thank you everyone for your support and efforts on behalf of Freedoms Foundation. Always remember we are here for you. Let us know how we can be of service.

Finally, I am pleased to share a second video this week in our video series. This week's video is on our organization's history.

Our History - <https://youtu.be/90thtlid5a8>

Enjoy, stay safe and keep in touch!

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