

## SCHOLARSHIP

VFW DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AUXILIARY

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Sisters and Brothers,

Happy December!! Snow is coming ~ and going ~ and we keep marching on for our Veterans and families. By this time, your essay contests are finished up at district level and in the hands of Department Chairman. Thank you all for getting them in on time. You will know the results in a few weeks at Mid-Winter Conference. Hope to see you all there.

Next up is the "art" contests. I'm VERY excited about this one!! I hope you have delivered these to the schools already. The earlier the kids get them, the more time they have to think about them and work on what they are envisioning. Just a suggestion that at the first of the year, maybe follow-up with the schools and make sure everything is moving along. Make sure you inform them to read the directions for the contests. There are very specific items to do and not to do. I would really hate to see a wonderful entry disqualified for a minor oversight. I'll put my address in the next bulletin. Make sure only the Young American Creative Patriotic Art and 3-D Dimensional Patriotic Art come to me.

Continuing Education Scholarship is due TO NATIONAL February 15, 2024. This is open to family members of our VFW Auxiliary family. Spouses, sons, and daughters can potentially receive this for attending vocational/technical school. One scholarship is awarded in each of the four VFW Auxiliary Conferences. The address for mailing in at the bottom of the application.

National has a Patriotic Art Fund and they are asking for donations. This helps to get the kids their awards as noted in the handouts. Please see MALTA for where to send these to. They go directly to National.

Our Department also has an Art Fund that needs some TLC. This is part of our Dept. President Roses' Special Project. She's hoping that if each Auxiliary donates to it, we should have a nice little sum in it for prizes.

Lastly, there is a Scholarship Auxiliary Award No. 1. The entry form is on MALTA. Every auxiliary that hosts an event will receive a citation. One auxiliary from each of the four conferences that have an outstanding activity will receive a citation and \$25. Woot Woot.....let's think big!!!

I hope you all have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!!! I'll see you in Wenatchee in January.

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