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## SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM MARCH/APRIL 2022

Congratulations to all the Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen winners. The Department Patriot's Pen winner is Josephine Althoff, from District 8. The Department Voice of Democracy winner is Jorja Harrison, from District 14. Good luck to the winner's at the National level.

**Continuing Education Scholarship:** The application process began on July 1, 2021 and submitted to the VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters by February 15, 2022. Scholarship recipients will be notified May 1, 2022.

**Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contest:** This contest is open to students in grades 9-12 and has a top national award of \$15,000. Students must attend school in Missouri. Students can choose to submit a two- or three-dimensional piece of artwork with a patriotic theme. Along with the artwork, students will submit an application and a short essay about the patriotism expressed in the art. All rules can be found in the contest brochure. The deadline for students is **March 31** to local Auxiliaries. Auxiliary winners should be sent directly to **me by April 15** – there is no need for district judging for the art contest. Please take care when packaging the artwork. Preferred shipping for artwork is UPS.

**Past National President's Scholarship:** This Scholarship is to honor two National Presidents for their service. They are Mabel Tanner and Glenneta Vogelsang. One is for \$1800, and one is for \$1200. The students must show leadership qualities. They must have or have had a family member that was a member of the VFW or VFW Auxiliary. Form can be found at: <http://movfwaux.org/scholarship/>. The application form, 2 references, school transcript, and a brief essay (300 words max) highlighting your community involvement, your volunteer activities, the honors you have received, and any organizations you have participated in or out of your school, will need to be submitted to the Department Chairman no later than April 15, 2022. Applications and all supporting documents can be mailed or emailed.

Don't forget to send in your Year-End Reports! I'm looking forward to reading how each of you promoted the Scholarship program this year. One Auxiliary from each membership group will win a \$50 prize for the Most Outstanding Project for promoting the Scholarship program. One Chairman will win a \$50 prize and their Auxiliary will receive a Certificate for the Most Outstanding Project for promoting the Scholarship program.

### Dates to remember:

Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contest due to local Post by March 31, 2022  
These contest forms can be found online at [www.vfwauxiliary.org](http://www.vfwauxiliary.org)

Past National President's Scholarship due to Department Chairperson by April 15, 2022  
This contest form can be found online at <http://movfwaux.org/scholarship/>

Make sure you go over the eligibility and rules so you can answer questions.