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Hello All!

I hope that all of you enjoyed the wonderful Winter Conference! At the time of this writing we are just a few weeks away from it. I know that I will have so much fun with our students and Roger, my VFW Counterpart, we will be playing games to get to know each other and will be touring the State Capital and a Military Museum. What a wonderful time I know we will have. I am so excited and I will tell you all about it later on.

Our year is winding down and we will continue along the **yellow brick road** to get to the **Emerald City**. This does not mean we are done!!! We have much more to accomplish before we meet the “**Wonderful Wizard**” of Missouri.

We are approaching the deadlines for the **Young American Patriot Art** Contests. I cannot stress this enough; Auxiliary Chairman **PLEASE** make sure your contestants have **followed the rules** for their entries. There is nothing worse than having to disqualify art because the rules were not followed. If they bring it to you and you know it will be disqualified, **PLEASE help them try to make it correct if you can**. Sometimes it can be as simple as matting, and you can help correct this **NICELY**. **REMIND THEM TO TAKE A PICTURE OF THEIR ART. THIS IS A NEW REQUIREMENT FOR 3-D ART. I HIGHLY RECOMMEND INCLUDING A PICTURE OF ALL THE ART. DEADLINE IS MARCH 31, 2026** I will have **ALL** the art at the **EMERALD CITY**. **DISTRICT PRESIDENTS**, it will be **YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO PICK UP THE ART BY 1:00 PM ON SATURDAY JUNE 13, 2026**. **ALL ART WILL REQUIRE A SIGNATURE OF THE PERSON TAKING THE ART.**

The **Missouri Past National Presidents Scholarship** will be the next scholarship that we will focus on. **Remember, this scholarship is ONLY for High School Seniors who are the Sister, Brother, Daughter, Son, Granddaughter, Grandson, Great Granddaughter or Great Grandson of a CURRENT Member of the VFW or VFW Auxiliary in the Department (State) of Missouri.** PLEASE, PLEASE send your letters in favor to keep this scholarship going. Send them by email or snail mail to Betty Arnold or I. Please make a special donation to the MPNP Scholarship to help fund this. We pay \$1,200 and \$1,800 to the winners. Those of you who have children in college know any amount is appreciated. Students have or buy books for their classes that can cost anywhere from \$50-\$150 or more for one book. **Let's keep this going in our state, it can bring in potential members.** I knew a member who was from the Webb City Auxiliary which was in my District who was a PNP Scholarship winner. She was also a Voice of Democracy winner. She joined the Auxiliary at 17. I learned her story when her son was our District Voice of Democracy winner. He did apply for the PNP Scholarship, but unfortunately he did not win. **Can you see how this Scholarship can help and in more than one program?**

I am looking forward to reaching the **Emerald City** where all the magic will happen as we hand out AWARDS for all your hard work this year. **I would like to thank you all for promoting this program that is so important for the youth of our state. Thank you for the encouragement that you all have given the entrants for all our Scholarships.** This will be the last material that you will receive from me. I must fly away for now, but you will see me in the **Emerald City** with our **"Wonderful Wizard"**.

"Be the Reason a Veteran Smiles Today" " From Sea to Shining Sea Honoring Veterans- Who Keep Us Free"

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