

Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

It is now Fall and time to really work with our Posts in promoting their scholarships for Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen. Entries are due to the post by October 31<sup>st</sup>. One of the greatest things about being Department Scholarship Chairman is I get to participate in the judging of the essays for Voice of Democracy. So, get out there and help out your post in promoting these great scholarships.

I want to remind you that 3-D Patriotic Art now is a scholarship on its own. It makes perfect sense, not every artist who uses pencil, pen or paints can mold and sculpt and visa versa. National is looking for the most creative promotion of the new 3-D art scholarship. Put on your own creative thinking caps and promote this new scholarship. Get your community involved, utilize social media, print media and tv or radio. There is a lot of untapped talent out there.

Please make sure you know how to explain Auxiliary Scholarships, Patriotic Art, 3-D Patriotic Art and Continuing Education and Youth Activities Programs. Youth Activities have the Illustrating America drawing contest for our younger kids and Get Excited for the Red, White & Blue National Anthem contest. We want to be able to explain each program to the schools when we visit and promote the programs.

As always, if you have questions about any of our programs reach out to the Program Chairman. If he or she doesn't have the immediate answer they will make sure to find it for you. Program resources for each program at the National level is now behind MALTA. Click on Member Resources and you will have access to all your resources.

One last reminder, Report, report, report. I would love to see pictures, articles, and social media information for your promotion of our Scholarships.

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