Holidays are closing in on us, and this can be an enjoyable but stressful time for many of us. The assorted activities and family obligations take a big portion of our time and can leave us either drained or exhilarated. During this busy time don't forget to take some time out of your activities to deliver your scholarship applications out to the schools and to home schooled children and youth. While you are doing that, please think about making donations to the scholarship fund. Any amount is appreciated and will be put to wonderful use. These donations are an investment in a young person's future. Without your generous donations we would not be able to give a monetary gift to the scholarship winners. You have always been generous with your financial support and with the distribution of applications and supporting the youth that submit those applications.

A reminded to send in your monthly reports, by doing this you make the reporting at the end of the year easier for both you and me. Make a copy for yourself so when you sit down to work on year-end reports you have a copy of what you have done, and you don't have to try and recreate what you did.

February 15, 2027, is the next deadline and it is for the Oregon Continuing Education Scholarship which is due to me and the VFW Auxiliary Continuing Education Scholarship which is due at VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters.

Have a safe and enjoyable Thanksgiving. Reflect on your blessings and the blessings you bestow on our veterans and their families.

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