

## OCTOBER 2023

Thank you all for all that you do for your veterans and your community. We have a great responsibility to our veterans and our community every single day. I decided at Round-up this year between the Round-up association and the veterans and I chose the veterans this year. I hope that we make enough money between what we get from the post for our work and what we made on our craft sales and raffle to give some more money to our VFW programs.

I just sent some money into National VFW HQ and National Home from the donations that have been made in the last 3 months and I was so embarrassed. We need to be taking some money out of our relief fund and send to National. We have veterans that have big needs, and we aren't helping them. So far for the National President's Special Project this department has only given \$83.00 and for our Department Presidents Special Project we have sent just about \$100.00, that won't put on a children's ball. Also, we have only received \$200.00 for the Run2Remember for this year.

Please at your next meeting, sit down and make some decisions for these programs. Also, if you haven't sent in your money for the hospitals or scholarships, please start thinking about these programs also. Right now, we don't have enough money to pay the students winnings to pay as much as we did last year. We have 3 months to get that money in so please think about all our programs this month.

As I have said before I am very proud of this department and what we do but we just need to put our hands further down in our pockets this year. Hope to see you soon, remember the Western Conference isn't very far and Salt Lake City is a great town to go and visit. Have a great month.