

Scholarship Guide Sheet No. 4

Fall Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

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Thank You to all of the Auxiliaries that have sent me a report. You guys get the Super Early Bird Award. However it does appear that there is some confusion as to how some of these contests work and when reports are due to me. At first I thought it was miscommunication in one district. As time has gone on however, it seems to be Department wide. I have looked over my previous guide sheets to see if I gave you incorrect or confusing information and they seem to be pretty clear so I am not sure where the confusion is coming from. At the top of my report form are the dates that your reports are due to me by. My reports are due later than others because of the deadlines for the contests under this program. It is not possible for you to give me an accurate report by October 1st when the contest deadlines are well after that. I have also seen on several reports that fliers and applications have gone to High Schools for the Continuing Education Scholarship. I wonder why that is? This contest is only open to current Auxiliary members, their spouse, sons and daughters. Members must have been a member for at least 1 yr by the application submission deadline of February 15th 2021. Further the applicant must be at least 18 years old. Some tips to promote the Continuing Education Scholarship contest would be to post a flier on your canteen bulletin board, send a flier with your dues reminder notices and remind members of this opportunity at your monthly meetings. I had one chairman write N/A on their report form for this program and I confess to being curious as to why this contest is not applicable at their Auxiliary? A few chairmen have also said NO on assisting their Posts with Patriots Pen and VOD. If you aren't assisting your Posts, you should be! The purpose of our Auxiliary is to assist the Comrades in promoting their programs, so please get with your VFW counterparts and ask them how you can assist in promoting these contests. We are one family after all and should be working together and supporting each other. On a positive note I have found some things that I left off of my report form and thanks to those that sent me a report, I was able to catch it and made the appropriate revisions. Please use the revised form for your future reporting. They will be available on our Department website.

Finally I am extending the deadline for the collaboration contest to October 10th. Please see your August and September guide sheets for information about this contest. Once again I am asking for donations to my raffle table at Fall Conference from odd numbered Auxiliaries in Districts 6-11. Thank You for all of your hard work. Please use the information that was provided to you in your packets at SOI and feel free to contact me for any questions you may have. I look forward to seeing all of you at Fall Conference.

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