

Hello everyone! I'm just going to get down to the nitty gritty.

I would like to announce that Dan Klemish (the VFW Scholarship Chairman) received permission from Department Commander Glynis Collier to print 2 copies of the fliers on professional paper for EACH POST. In speaking with Department Quartermaster Anna Arnold, she was going to try to get these printed and mailed out Monday, August 12th. The only downside of this is that these fliers are getting MAILED TO THE POSTS. If your Auxiliary is the one that does the footwork, please be sure to get in contact with your Post to get these fliers so you can hand them out wherever you choose. If you need to print out additional copies of your flier, I do have them on the VFW Auxiliary website (vfwauxsd.org) under "Programs", "Scholarships" and then you must scroll down almost to the bottom of the page "Flyers (By District)".

Dan and I will be providing a joint VFW / Auxiliary training at Fall Council regarding ScholarsApp. We are leaving (I hope) plenty of time for a question and answer session. This is in addition to the School of Instruction for Scholarships on the Auxiliary side. If you are not able to make it, like last year, I am available via email, text, and phone. The only downside is that during the Patriot's Pen and Voice of Democracy Scholarship periods, it is the busy season where I work. If I am unable to get back to you right away, don't fret! I will get back to you as soon as I can.

Deadline dates are noted in the July 2024 Report.

Another item I would like to note is that all training is also on our website in the same area I noted above. There is even a Student Tutorial in case any students have questions or need assistance on where to go and what to do. This is something that they didn't include last year, and I feel will be very helpful.

One last thing to mention. There was an email sent out with new emails for Department Officers. Please note that the Secretary@vfwauxsd.org will only be for communications that come to me as the Department of SD Secretary. Please continue to send me emails regarding Scholarships to amschwarz3@gmail.com. This is the best way to keep everything separated.

I hope to see as many of you as possible at Fall Council! I know I'm looking forward to it!

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