

## Scholarships Chairman

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Thank you to all that attended the MIT (Membership involvement training). We hope that you were all able to take away information and ideas to share with your auxiliary. It was wonderful to see so many new members in attendance.

Speaking of information, did you know that the Continuing Education Scholarship is National President Lois Callahan special project? This scholarship has not had much time in the spotlight. It is time to change that. This year our goal is to help raise funds to increase the amount that the winners receive. There is one winner from each of the four conferences, and we would love for it to be someone from Arizona. If you are looking to further your education in a college or vocational/technical school, you are a VFW Auxiliary member in good standing for at least 1 year, a minimum of 21 years of age, the spouse, son or daughter of a VFW Auxiliary member then you are eligible for this scholarship.

Donations can be made directly to this scholarship thru MALTA, behind log in under the "Make a Gift" tab. This can be from an individual or from your Auxiliary. Checks can also be sent to National Headquarters earmarked "National President's 2025-2026 Special Project". Fund raisers held at your Posts are a great way to bring in the public and show them what we do for our community.

This is also a great way to get information out to the young people about the art contests that we have for them to participate in. Young American Creative Patriotic Art & 3-Dimensional Patriotic Art Contests. These are open to youth in grades 9-12. The deadline for submitting their art is March 31, 2026. Let's get the information out to these students and see if we cannot get them National recognition for their efforts and love for Patriotism.

For information on these Scholarships & Contests please log into MALTA and click the links for the brochures or scan the QR code.

