

75th ANNUAL VOICE OF DEMOCRACY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM DEPARTMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA VFW 2021-2022

"America: Where Do We Go From Here"

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From:

Glenn Owen

State Voice of Democracy Chairman

Subject:

2021-2022 Voice of Democracy Audio Essay Competition

Theme:

"America: Where Do We Go From Here"

Fellow Comrades and Sisters:

Welcome to another exciting year of the Annual State Voice of Democracy Audio Essay Competition. I know that with all of your hard work and dedication to this program we will have a very successful year. The following information should help you to get started:

Post and District Chairmen can access the program guides, find participating Posts, download student brochures or purchase them on line (Item #04420) from the National VFW website www.vfw.org. Students can also complete a Voice of Democracy entry form on the National website using the Voice of Democracy link. The Department website is www.vfwpahq.org; where you will find the following Department information: Department deadlines and the student entry brochure, the Department of Pennsylvania Voice of Democracy Teacher of the Year information and nomination form and the Department Perpetual Scholarship information and donation form.

State Deadlines for the 2021-2022 Voice of Democracy Program are listed below:

- 1.) October 31, 2021—Student Deadline Entry is at Midnight
- 2.) November 21, 2021—Post judging completed
- 3.) December 5, 2021—District judging completed
- 4.) December 10, 2021—District Winner Entry Form, CD or flash drive of essay, typed essay, head and shoulders photo of good quality, District summary report and District

participation report in the hands of the Department Chairman, Glenn Owen. Address to 8563 RT 467 Le Raysville PA 18829. DO NOT MAIL TO DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS.

5.) December 12, 2021—Department judging (Time and location to be announced)

- 6.) January 15, 2022—Department Winner and Reports submitted to National Headquarters
- 7.) January 22, 2022---Annual Voice of Democracy Banquet (Wyndham Lancaster Resort and Convention Center, 23 Lincoln Highway East Lancaster PA 17602)

The 2021-2022 State Auxiliary Chairman is Joan Faddis. If you have any questions or concerns, Joan and I can be contacted as follows:

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We are looking forward to meeting and talking with each one of you during this program year. I am also including this year's 22th Annual PA State Voice of Democracy Teacher of the Year Program and Entry Form as well as the PA State Perpetual Scholarship Fund information and donation forms. Please make copies for your Post Chairmen, Auxiliary Chairmen and the Membership so that they can enter their favorite devoted teacher who promotes and works this very important Youth Activity. As you promote the programs, please encourage participation in the Perpetual Scholarship Fund.

REMINDER: One of Commander Smith requirements for All State Post is a Voice of Democracy entry.

NOTE: There will be no donation for All-State, need to have an entry.

Thank you!

In Support of our Troops and Friendship in the VFW and Its Auxiliary,

GLENN OWEN
State Voice of Democracy Chairman