

## April Youth Activities Report



Wishing you all a very Happy Easter.

Even though our reporting year for 2022-2023 is done, the Youth Program still has some unfinished contests to take care of. Hopefully your Auxiliaries have some entries for Get Excited for the Red, White, and Blue and Illustrating America.

Make sure you use the current 2022-2023 forms and follow the contest eligibility and rules. New this year: Entries for Get Excited for the Red, White, and Blue **MUST** have a YouTube link.

### CONTEST RULES FOR GET EXCITED FOR THE RED, WHITE, AND BLUE:

- Video of contestant's solo vocal performance of "The Star-Spangled Banner" must be recorded between July 1, 2022, and March 31, 2023.
- Contestant shall state name and age prior to vocal performance.
- Contestant may sing a cappella, with backing tracks or instruments.
- Contestant may sing in the arrangement and genre of their choice.
- Contestant may NOT change the words.
- Complete and sign contest entry form.
- Parent/Guardian signature required on entry form

### CONTEST RULES FOR ILLUSTRATING AMERICA:

- Entry must be completed during the current school year.
- Entry must be two dimensional.
- Entry must be on canvas or paper.
- Submit canvas entries on a stretcher frame or canvas board. Other entries if matted must be matted in white. Do not use color mats.
- Reinforce the back with heavy paper. Mounted and floating mats may also be used. Do not frame art.
- Entries may not be smaller than 8" x 10" and not larger than 18" x 24", not including mat larger than 18" in any direction.
- Watercolor, pencil, pastel, charcoal, tempera, crayon, acrylic, pen, ink, oil, glitter, marker or other media may be used.
- Complete contest application and attached to back of entry.
- If the American Flag is used, it DOES NOT need to conform to the Federal Flag Code in relation to colors or numbers of stars and stripes.
- Parent or guardian signature required on contest application
- Entry will be judged on patriotic theme and technique.
- Coloring Sheets, digital art, photography and jewelry are NOT accepted

If you are judging at the district level, the judging the form says that judging must be completed by April 10. I will accept District judging completed on April 15<sup>th</sup> as long as the entries are in my hands that day. Local Auxiliary and District winners are to be to me by April 15, 2023. For all the entry forms and judging score sheets go to ksauxvfw.com and under programs choose Youth.

Again, the date to remember for having contest entries to me for Illustrating America and Get Excited for the Red, White, and Blue, is **April 15! NO LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED.** I will be at the 6<sup>th</sup> District meeting in Herington on April 15, if it is convenient for you to deliver the winners to me that day.

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