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LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT COULD WIN A TRIP TO WASHINGTON, D.C. AND A \$30,000 SCHOLARSHIP

Commander James Morrissey of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post # 3264, today announced the kick-off of the 67th year of the VFW and its Ladies Auxiliary Voice of Democracy Scholarship Competition. Local high school students have the opportunity to compete for thousands of dollars in scholarships and a trip to Washington, D.C.

Students begin by competing at the local Post level with a deadline of November 1st. Post winners advance to District and then the first place District winner advances to the state competition. All state winner receive a four day trip to Washington, D.C. A total of \$152,000 is awarded to national finalists. First place is a \$30,000 college scholarship. Annually the VFW provides more than \$2.3 million in scholarships. Each year, around 50,000 students participate in the competition.

Students must write and record a three-to-five minute essay on this theme for 2013-2014: "Why I'm Optimistic About our Nation's Future" on an audio cassette tape or audio CD and present their recording, typed essay, and entry form at their local VFW Post.

Interested students and teachers should contact the Voice of Democracy Chairman at VFW Post # 3264 by phone at 508-339-2556 or write to the Post at

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