

Greeting NM OES Member and Friends,

The BASKET RAFFLE was a wonderful success for the Education Fund. 115 Members contributed \$3,537 during this pandemic plus what was donated to the raffle from our first 11 visits! That is remarkable and I know it will be appreciated by the Scholarship Committee as they review applications in the new year. Please don't forget to let your High School Counselors know about this opportunity as well as College Advisors and Church Leaders in your areas.

DRUMROLL PLEASE.... The winners are:

- Basket 1 - Renita - Turquoise Chapter #71
- Basket 2 - Johnny Hammett – Las Cruces Chapter #20
- Basket 3 - Terry Addison – Melrose Chapter #30
- Basket 4 - Gail Reynolds – Renick/LC Chapters #37/#20
- Basket 5 - Bobby Myers – Las Cruces Chapter #20


We now embark on the new year for our Grand Chapter with the pandemic still with us. I hope that we all are being especially careful as we mask, socially distance, and stay home as much as possible – without forgetting to reach out to our friends/members who may need us. I know we will all be grateful when this abates and the most difficult part is watching and waiting, and waiting, and waiting.

In the meantime, I hope that the phone trees for each chapter are working to keep up with the needs of our members. If you haven't heard from anyone recently, I would like to suggest that you call a member you haven't heard from and ask them to do the same. I bet that will make someone's day!

Thanksgiving is coming up soon. I hope we will all be able to be with friends and relatives either by ZOOM or in person - if you have had regular contact. PLEASE be careful. I need and want all of you to attend the Grand Chapter Session in October 2021!

And in conclusion: **The good Lord didn't create anything without a purpose.....** Mosquitoes come close, though.

Have a wonderful month and hope to see you ASAP.

Star  and Huge Hugs ,

Pam, WGM

