

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

I hope all of us found many things to be thankful for this Thanksgiving. We were able to have dinner with our daughter, son-in-law, his parents, and grandsons here in Albuquerque. A phone call to the Arizona family had to sub for a visit this year. I hope you have many family members and friends to be thankful for as well.

And now for the Christmas rush. Black Friday was an event in the past that many of us participated in for a jump start on the Christmas Holiday ahead. That didn't happen this week unless you were shopping on-line. Now we are going to be inundated with commercials and sales for anything and everything that our friends, kids, grandkids, and others may want or need. I am continually reminded of the need in our area for the basics of food, clothing, and shelter.

Roadrunner Food Bank is asking for donations and, if you didn't already know, they deliver food all over the state. No matter where you are in New Mexico, a donation to that organization or another that provides for these necessary items will hopefully reach someone in your community. I just heard that Adah Chapter will be having a drive-by donation day soon. Please share with your members and friends in your area any news of such a donation opportunity.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you in the New Year. I am not sure when that will happen in person, but the Zoom meetings are on my calendar and I hope to soon be with all of you on-line who are able to participate in your chapter meetings.

On the lighter side: If you need a joke to play on your friends or relatives when they come to visit. You can let your guests know you have a leak under the kitchen sink and ask if they could help. Then stand back and let them open the cabinet to find a leek. (long onion family). Or, Dad – or whoever – we have water coming out of the bathroom. Could you see if you could help? (then line up water bottles from the toilet to the door and or from inside the door to just outside the door.

Have fun with your family and friends in the month ahead!

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