

December Message from Deputy Grand Regent!

Okay everyone let's get out the Holiday cheer! I love this time of the year because everyone you meet seems to be a little happier and friendlier. It could just be me but it seems like it! Anyway that's what I want to believe, so let's just go with it!

Remember Mid-Year Conference Registration forms have also been added to the IMA web page along with hotel information and now meal tickets. Hopefully you are starting to make plans for Co-Workers from your Chapter to represent you during the Mid-year conference Feb 15-18, 2018 in Decatur, IL. We have already received about 20 registrations with 6 of them being Academy of Friendship recipients.

Again we are asking for donations of bags of candy so watch for those clearances at the end of the year! Also Peggy will have the Baskets for the Moose Charities committee, so start thinking about putting one of those together to donate and then try to win back!

Don't forget to have some type of holiday membership campaign, i.e. save 1 or 2 or sign 1 or 2 and receive a ham or a turkey or gas card or get in a drawing to win \$50 cash! Use your imagination.

I know it's hard but try to reach out to your chapter members to attend your meetings. Don't just have a meeting, do something fun. Plan an activity and then sneak a meeting in! You could also do some type of community service projects like collecting hats and gloves, collect for a food pantry or even a toy drive to name a few things. Remember Teamwork divides the task and multiplies the success. Plus a mind is like a parachute, it doesn't work if it is not open!

If you are close enough to Mooseheart maybe get a van and take a group to see the Christmas lights. They change it up every year so for \$10 a vehicle this could be a fun activity and a great way to show others what we do!

Have a Blessed and Merry Christmas! Tammy Neff, DGR