

## DECEMBER 2023

Well, another month has almost been completed and we are getting closer to our goal, but we still have a ways to go. As of today, our membership is at 93.17% We need 310 to be 100%+. We would really like to get there before December 31, 2023, so we all need to get the rest of the members that haven't been paid taken care of.

Right now, Oregon is 8<sup>th</sup> in the nation for membership and we would like to be number 1. We have done it before we can do it again. We have so many auxiliaries that need 5 or less to make 100%, all it would take is paying some of your members per caps and you would have it done. Please, at your next meeting talk about paying for the rest of your members that haven't paid. I am sure that many of those members are having financial difficulties and need some help to get their dues paid. Half of the members that we paid their dues have come back and paid their dues plus more money for the auxiliary.

The first drawing of the dues incentives was done on November 11, 2023 and the lucky winner was #922. My niece drew the number out of a hat for me and the check has been giving to the auxiliary. Right now, we have 20 auxiliaries that have membership numbers over 95% and all of the numbers will be in for the drawing on November 30, 2023. I will announce the winner in next month's article. Or you might see it before that on Facebook.

There are many holiday bazaars going on all over the state at this time and that would be a great place to set up a membership table. You can have poppies there and information about the scholarship program there also. At our baked food sale that we had last weekend, I gave out a few applications and told of some of our programs to people that didn't know about what we do. It was a great weekend. We have a few weekends left before the holidays are over and the sponsors of the bazaars might be willing to give you a table and not charge for it.

Please send all your dues angels to me soon so that I can get all the tickets ready for the Mid-Winter drawing. Remember we have two names that will be drawn at the Mid-Winter conference and two at the Department Convention. If your auxiliary paid

for some members, please put those in also. Please, if you can't send the names to me before the conference, bring them with you and I will add them to the drawing.

Hope you all have a great holiday season and remember those who aren't going to be home for the holidays including our service men and women that are serving for us around the globe. Happy Holidays.