



End of Year District Deputy Business



In these last months, we have pushed, pulled and done everything to get the 185's, 365's and Audit Form 1295-1 for the period of 1-1-14 through 6-30-2014 completed and sent in.

Recruitment is on the move, but we need more 1st, 2nd and 3rd degrees. Recruitment is a 24/7 job. Some of you have taken this to heart and a few lucky ones have had new members seek them out. Keep up the good work and remember that 100% council participation is required.

Programming and charities are needed also for good membership growth. Form 100's have an area for new members to choose and make known their interests, make sure they mark their selections and the council uses them when seeking help on different activities.

On November 1st, the ID drive report was due which includes the drive collections and the requests for the checks for the organizations that the council supports. These funds will make the organizations happy, especially during the holiday season.

We have had numerous inquiries on the relationship of the council to the home association, when the council is not parish based, concerning their operation. A directive from the Supreme Council has been issued and to view the directive, please go to the state website and click on "State Advocate New" for more information.

We are at the mid-year point and the District Deputy meeting is just around the corner. The Doubletree (former Abraham Lincoln Hotel and Business Center) is the location for this meeting. I hope you have made your room reservations and sent in your banquet reservation. Check with your councils to make sure that their Vocation Raffle tickets are in. The drawing will be held after the banquet. You can't win if you don't turn in your tickets!

Start working now on Form 1728, *The Annual Fraternal Survey* which is due on 1-31-15 and then the Semi-Annual Audit Form 1295-2 covering the period of 7-1-14 through 12-31-14 and is due on 2-15-15.

Wishing all a Happy Thanksgiving,
Gary Schmidt

P.S. Please bring any unused Soccer Challenge Medallions to the DD meeting, if you are excused from the Mid Winter Meeting return them to the State Office.

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