

It is my great joy to introduce the Membership and Public Relations Committee appointed by Supreme Queen Sharon St. John for 2015.

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These are dedicated ladies who are ready, willing and able to assist your Temples with MEMbership issues! All you have to do is CALL and ASK! They are waiting to hear from you TODAY! Remember MEMbership begins with ME! and YOU!

As our Membership numbers continue to decrease, I am confident that with your help we can turn things around and once again grow our numbers. It is incumbent on each and every member to do her part in seeking out qualified ladies and proposing them for membership. There are over 270,000 Shriners, and many more Masons than that, who have eligible ladies, just waiting to be proposed. Contact former members and talk about reinstatement. Discourage demits and encourage continuing membership because even if they don't attend, they are continuing to support your Temple and the children. Talk to your members who are delinquent in their dues and encourage them to continue their membership.

Have regular Ceremonials! Even though our rules have changed that require only one Ceremonial, have several and Grow Your Membership! Strive for proficiency in the performance of your ritualistic work! The lessons we teach are worth hearing on a regular basis. Doesn't the minister in your church repeat the lessons he is teaching every week? The better we know our work, the easier it is to portray and the more fun it is too. Rehearsals are great fellowship opportunities with our fellow officers and members. You don't have to have banquets at every Ceremonial either. It doesn't have to cost your Temple lots of money to have Ceremonials! A Ceremonial can be held as a special Session with a dispensation just for that purpose. There are so many ways we can Grow Our Membership if we just work at it. We must make Membership our Number One GOAL for the year.

Every Temple should have a Membership Chairman appointed by the Queen and she should have a committee to assist her. A Member of the Supreme Temple Membership Committee has been appointed to assist every Subordinate Temple. The Temple Membership Chairman should report at every Stated Session the status of your Membership and her GOALS for improvement. It is a TEAM effort!

Our organization is dependent on growth which promotes success. Can we count on your Temple to be in the plus column this year?

Contact ANY member of the Supreme Membership Committee if you need help and have not heard from your contact!