

Extension & Revitalization Newsletter

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As the Department Chief of Staff, it is my responsibility to instruct auxiliaries and districts to identify an unhealthy auxiliary. Some warning signs are lack of involvement in National and Department Programs, poor or nonexistent teamwork, no membership growth. It is important that we identify unhealthy auxiliaries so that we can work with them to make them strong. By ignoring these signs, we may feel that we are protecting the auxiliary when we could be hurting it. So please, let me know if there is an auxiliary that needs help.

We also want to revitalize auxiliaries by reaching out to the community and recruiting new members. Listen to new ideas. It may not be the way we have always done it, but change can be good. Encourage new members to bring ideas to the table. It may be something that they have used in other organizations. Try it, you may like it!

Rejuvenate auxiliaries by recognizing good jobs. Present members with certificates at a banquet or a meeting. Involve members in activities and events. You may be surprised at what some of your members can do.

By now you have elected officers, installed them, paid your bond. Your district dues are due by September 30. Make sure your Treasurer knows who to send the check to. All officers' dues must be paid by December 31. Your secretary or treasurer can check this. If their dues are not paid by December 31, they are no longer a member in good standing and cannot hold office.

If you have any questions, please contact me. I will do my best to help you.

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