

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE: Membership is the lifeblood of the Order! Members provide the leadership, the manpower for performing programs, the financial stability of the Lodge and assure the Order's standing as a leading benefactor of mankind. The challenge is maintaining steady, healthy membership growth in the Subordinate Lodges. Section 13.100 of the Laws of the Order places this responsibility initially on this Committee. Every member must not only sell Elkdome to prospective members but also motivate others to participate in this effort. The Grand Lodge Membership Manual (Code 510400) is important to showing how to attract new members. In addition, the Grand Lodge Membership Committee pamphlet, published annually, also sets forth provisions for membership contests and awards. This Committee should involve the Lodge in the contest and strive to win an award.

— MEMBERSHIP CONTESTS & AWARDS —
(Grand Lodge Membership Committee Pamphlet)

Each Lodge should strive for at least a +1 increase in current membership, including reinstatements, and for two percent or less lapsation.

First-, second- and third-place plaques will be awarded at the Grand Lodge Session for the highest net percentage of membership gain in six divisions.

Citations will be awarded to all Lodges that show a net gain in membership equal to or more than the following percentage for their respective division:

DIVISIONS CATEGORIES PERCENTAGE

Division 1 Lodges with less than 301 Members	6%
Division 2 Lodges with 301 through 500 Members	5%
Division 3 Lodges with 501 through 700 Members	4%
Division 4 Lodges with 701 through 1,100 Members	3%
Division 5 Lodges with 1,101 through 1,500 Members	2%
Division 6 Lodges with more than 1,500 Members	1%

Plaques will be awarded to the top three State Associations achieving a net gain in membership during the Lodge year. Grand Lodge also offers incentives ranging from GER Pins, watches and clocks, to trips to the Grand Lodge Session, so your hardest-working "Membership Builders" will be recognized and rewarded. Specifics on the incentives and establishing a Membership Management Control Team are outlined in the Membership Program pamphlet. Note that Lodges are mandated to have a functioning Management Control Team.