This is the year that we need to go back to basics at the club level to set goals and objectives for membership and service. The two are intertwined.

## My goals for this year are as follows:

- Create a survey that the Zone Chairs can send to their clubs looking at different ways to achieve our primary focus of increasing membership and community involvement.
- Meet with all the Zone Chairs after their first zone meeting to discuss membership issues and brainstorm on ways to help them retain and increase membership.
- Make sure that all clubs have the membership materials they need.
- Possible incentives for all clubs to have one or more membership drives this year.
- Help the district achieve the membership goals as set forth in the Action Plan.

Currently, District 13 OH5 YTD has a total of 50 clubs with an average of 25 members per club; with net growth of -5, with one canceled club which was the Columbus Franklinton Club. 38% of our clubs have less than 20 members, which should be one area we need to focus on.

## **MD13 Committee Meeting:**

The MD13 GMT Committee met via Zoom on Monday, July 31, 2023. Each district shared what was going on in their district. The discussion was as follows:

- OH5 had 889 new members last year.
- Need to make sure that every club has membership packets.
- The health of our clubs depends on improving at the club level and new clubs.
- We need to keep the club engaged and **RETENTION** is critical!
- The New Voices program will play a significant part in recruitment and retention.
- Orientation at the club level is vital in keeping members.
- What can we do to support our Zone Chairs?

Respectfully Submitted,

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