

Participation is Paramount

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Just don't know where to start to make your Chapter stronger? Here's a suggestion: **PARTICIPATE!** Take advantage of all of the programs and activities that are ready-made to help you have an active program in your Chapter. Even **ONE** member of your Chapter having fun at this is a success!

How about *state athletic competitions*? Softball, Basketball, Volleyball, Flag Football, Tennis, Swimming... Regardless of your competitive level, bring a team! Not enough members to fill a team? We can pair you with another Chapter -third place in a recent PA Softball Tourney went to a dual-Chapter team!

Attend the Annual *Convention* in July! Send officers to the *Key Man Conference!* Participate in the Grand Lodge *Autumn Day* program at the Masonic Village in Elizabethtown. The calendar is always chock-full!

Enter the *State Competitions*- you don't need to win-just take an active part! *Visit* another Chapter. Submit a *Chapter publication* to the Executive Secretary. Have an "*RD Night*" or two, and submit completed forms. Take the *LCC* as a group. Elect a *Chapter Sweetheart* and encourage her to enter the State Sweetheart Competition. Compete in any part of the *Ritual* ... at a tournament or right at home (call the Director of Ritual and ask him how!). Plan one good *Obligatory Day* Observance.

Is there more? Sure! How about a refresher *DAD Course*? Contribute to the *State Charity* or the *Williamson Scholarship* Fund. Submit a nomination for the *Distinguished Service Award*. Sell pages for the *Convention Yearbook*.

The more you do, the more your members want to bring their friends. The more friends, the more new members, the more new members, the more you can do! (and so on, and so on...) So what are you waiting for? **GET INTO IT!**