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I don't know about you, but September feels like a time of new beginnings. Maybe it's because of the years I spent teaching. Even though most schools start in August now, it still feels like September is a beginning. We start off fresh with enthusiasm and plans for a new and productive year.

Now is the time to look forward. We review where we've come from and move into the future. We look for strong, worthy men to invite into our fraternity. We develop the members we already have by helping them find the places where they can best serve. We look for opportunities to experience the ceremonial work again, such as at the Festivals in Papillion this September and October.

How do we do all of this? An effective way to reach potential members is to visit Blue Lodges and make ourselves visible. Be available to answer questions and let the guys know what we stand for and what we do. To develop our current members we need to be open to new ideas. Like selling parking spaces on Football Saturdays. Supporting community marathons. Being visible at events like County Fairs. They don't have to be major projects. We just need to be seen supporting our communities in positive ways.

One important way we can help our fraternity grow and become more relevant is to find ways to involve our families. I think we all recognize the numerous ways the women contribute to the success of our Commanderies. Our youth are our future, so we must find ways to support and encourage them.

Perhaps you can think of this as an assignment for the new season. Brainstorm ideas to bring our fraternity to the attention of our community. What can you do to be part of the process?

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