**

*Cherish Our Dreams*

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 As we end our year, we all need to sit down and see how we have accomplished our **Plan of Action**. Some of our members will need to look over three Plan of Actions from this year. I will go through each Plan of Action that I am speaking of.

 First, as a ***chapter*** you compiled a Plan of Action for what your chapter wanted to complete this year. I know each of our chapters had projects that they would like to complete each month, I also hope you included the Emphasis’s Months as stated in my first article these have been set by national and state levels. I hope your chapters also include Personal Enrichment programs in your Plan of Actions. This year our state held Personal Enrichment seminars online as an extra bonus for our members. As of this date we have held Team Building, Organization, Leadership and Stress seminars. We do have a Goal Setting set for January 15th and we do have two more planned for February and March. We also held a Financial seminar at our Fall Conference.

Second, I asked all ***members*** to complete a Plan of Action on what each member would like to complete this year to better our chapter and community. This Plan of Action should have included the following three steps: 1) Membership (how many members am I going to recruit); 2) Community service (what can I do to help my chapter to succeed with the projects) on their Plan of Action). 3) Personal Enrichment (what programs will I attend to better myself). Just a tidbit here, there are so many ways on the website to help you to build yourself into a better person). Now, I ask how did you do in this area. Currently, you only have three months to complete some activity in this area.

As a *state officer*, we needed to complete a Plan of Action. This Plan of Action is different, as we needed to set the goals that we would like to reach by the end of our term in the office that we hold. For us to reach those goals, we need to complete the following steps: implement them, communicate, and travel. As you can see there are four steps to help the state officer to succeed. First, set the goals that you want to accomplish by year end. To complete this step, you will need to publicize the goals so that our chapter members know the goals that we have set. Second, our officers need to implement their goals. The following are the ways that they complete this step: offers a Fast Start, articles, and training. Third, our officers use many different types of ways to communicate. They complete communication in many ways. The following are different types of communications that they can use Gavel articles, Website Articles, Communication correspondence with local officer. Fourth, and this is the last step – they travel to a chapter or state meetings.

Now, I ask each chapter, each member, and each state officer how did you do with their Plan of Actions. Just a friendly reminder that we all need to work together for our state and chapters to complete the dreams that have been set forth in our Plan of Actions. Just a friendly reminder, we have three more months to accomplish our goals. So that at year end we will be able to “Cherish our Dreams” for this year.

**T**o dream anything that you want to dream.

That is the beauty of the human mind.

To do anything that you want to do.

That is the strength of the human will.

To trust yourself to test your limits.

That is the courage to succeed.

Bernard Edmonds