

*Pennsylvania Federation of Fraternal and Social Organizations*

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**TO ALL CLUB MANAGERS, STEWARDS AND BOARD MEMBERS**

**Does your club have Up-To-Date information on all the latest PLCB, Smoking and Small Games of Chance Laws and Regulations, either already Law or being considered in Harrisburg?**

**Does your club have on staff a full time lobbyist “on the hill” in Harrisburg fighting for your rights and lobbying for the Liquor and or Small Games of Chance regulations you want or would like to change??**

**Does your club have a full time attorney on retainer and available for you to seek guidance from to see if your club is doing something illegal before your club gets busted or shutdown?**

**Can your club voice the opinions of over 100,000 Pennsylvanians to make one small voice become a large grass roots movement?**

**Do your legislators know who you are and know what your club wants them to do or vote on during their next session?**

**IF YOU ANSWERED NO TO ANY OF THE ABOVE QUESTIONS, PLEASE TURN THE PAGE AND READ ON!**

We are the **PENNSYLVANIA FEDERATION OF FRATERNAL AND SOCIAL ORGANIZATIONS**. We were formed by several counties that had the foresight to see that the new liquor laws being formed in 1933, just after prohibition, did not look very good if left unchecked for the legislators to do as they see fit. By 1935 the first State Meeting was held with 12 Pennsylvania counties being represented and thus formed the state organization which received its charter of incorporation in 1939.

Today we are made up of independent clubs like yourself as well as county units that form when at least 7 independent clubs join together within their respective county. In fact, there is probably a county unit that meets not too far from your club location. If not, you can start a unit for your county and rally together several clubs in your area.

The first answer that comes to mind when someone asks, "*Why should my club join the Pennsylvania Federation of Fraternal and Social Organization?*" is that it helps many small voices become one large voice. Each club itself is a small business. However, joined together, we find that the clubs in Pennsylvania employ about 50,000 people, including stewards, bartenders, and cleaning people and serving staffs. The liquor we buy comes from State Stores at the highest prices anywhere. We put more than \$50,000,000.00 a year into the economy. Add to the liquor bills the considerable amounts we contribute to Pennsylvania's economy for utilities and fuel, orchestras, bands and entertainment, food and cleaning supplies, and an endless assortment of furniture and machines, and you can come up with that total in the millions of dollars of business done in the state of Pennsylvania each and every year. And, as non-profit organizations, we raise money for the community through raffles, bingo, etc., saving the state and local governments tax dollars that would have to be raised to support fire, police and ambulance services, not to mention all of the other community organizations that benefit from our clubs activities.

Anyone doing that kind of business deserves a voice in the legislation that governs the clubs, and favorable decisions on matters that are important to us. The **only way** to get these decisions is to join our many small clubs into one large Federation and work together, letting our legislators know who we are, and what we want. This will give us the clout we need to get the laws we want passed in our Commonwealth. Never think that you are not an important individual. Every single voter in the Commonwealth has a right to be heard by his or her representatives. We put them there, and we can vote them out. They are prepared to listen to your opinions, and want to hear them for their guidance.

We look forward to having you as a member and invite you and your club to join us. Please take time to consider the positive impact the Federation could have on your club or organization, and take the time to fill out the attached application form. Do it for yourself, your club and your community.

**WITH YOUR BACKING AND ASSISTANCE, THE PFFSO CAN ACCOMPLISH  
WHATEVER IT SETS OUT TO DO.**

**PA FEDERATION OF FRATERNAL & SOCIAL ORGANIZATIONS  
DIRECT MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

Name of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Pennsylvania County: \_\_\_\_\_

Organizations Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address:  
(If Different) \_\_\_\_\_

Organization Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Organization Fax: (\_\_\_\_\_) - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Website Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Manager/Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Mail This Application **(with Your Check for \$75.00)** To:

**Pennsylvania Federation of Fraternal & Social Organizations**

**908 North Second Street**

**Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17102**

**Attention: Membership Director**

If You Should Have Any Questions or Require Further Assistance,

Please Feel Free To Call

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Or

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