MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

During 2016 you will be seeing and noticing changes that will excite and motivate us all to join in and work to "Educate the Public" bringing a new meaning to our GJAOC Mission Statement.

THANK YOU for responding, so promptly, to our 2016 campaign for payment of annual dues from both our continuing members and new members of the Grand Jurors Association of Orange County. Out of 163 members, 141 have paid before May 1st. According to our By-Laws, I am to remove from our roster any member who has failed to pay their dues by May 1, 2016. As a result, delinquent members lose all rights or benefits of membership, i.e. The GJAOC Newsletter and Luncheon Flyer.

GJAOC is a non-profit and, even if you are unable to attend our luncheons or participate on committees, etc., you are still important to us! Think of your membership dues as validating and supporting the grand jury system. Having the experience of applying for the Grand Jury, being picked as one of 35 potential Grand Jurors and then, actually serving one year as a Grand Juror is the ultimate experience of any Orange County private citizen. We are a unique group of people and we are proud to be members of this exclusive Grand Jurors Association of Orange County.

As Membership chair it is my "job" to increase membership. When the 2014-15 Grand Jury left the court, at the end of June 2015, they were given six months free membership to the GJAOC. We are happy to report we gained ten new members for 2016. PLEASE WELCOME: Paul Borzcik, foreman, Saboohi Currim, David Derby, Burnie Dunlap, Mary Laub, Ava Matthews, Thomas McCabe, Jr., Sam Torres, Richard Newman (a Doubles Club member) and, Narinder "Nindy" Mahal (a Triple Crown Club member).

Membership would like to hear from past ALTERNATES from Grand Jury years: 2010-11, 2011-12, 2012-13, 2013-14 & 2014-15 who were picked as either number 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 and served as a grand juror. Please call me at 714-558-8783 or email ladyhaha@gmail.com leaving your name and telephone#.

All members of GJAOC are the" eyes and ears" for the membership committee. If you know or hear of a member who is having health issues or you know or hear of someone who passed away from your own grand jury year, do us a big favor and call or email the Membership Committee and let us know because, we care!! (See the above e-mail address and telephone number.) Many thanks.

Our next luncheon meeting is Thursday June 2, 2016. The speaker will be the Editor-in-Chief of *Voice of OC*, NORBERTO SANTANA, JR. In the meantime remember "Life is Good."

Sincerely, Membership Committee Helen Alberts, Chair David Chapel, co-Chair