

Leadership Training and Chapter Development Activity Report

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Leadership Academy was held at Central Michigan University on January 17th, 2015. There were approximately 74 attendees. The cost for the event was approximately \$6,867 and registrations were about \$5625. The event cost the district approximately \$1242. The event was a great success with nearly 30 first time leaders attending. We have set next year's date as January 10th, 2016. We are looking for a new location that may be more central, less costly and add more local attractions for families, spouses and guests. Another issue that we have been discussing is the idea of combining or expanding Leadership Training into a larger, more "Joe Barbershop" friendly activity that will be more of a Harmony Training weekend. This would be something similar to the old H.E.P.S. schools. You will hear more about this later in the year.

My next goal for the year is chapter contact and visitation. I want to re-establish the Chapter Counselor Program and create a needs list from the chapters. I also want to make sure that each chapter is setting goals and bring them ideas on how to do that and have fun at the same time!

In the process of re-connecting with the chapters I want to make sure that their officer slates are full and functioning.

Thanks again to all those who helped with Leadership Training!!

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