

## **IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT**

How successfully this position is filled depends mainly on two things: one, the attitude of the Past President and the other, the desire of the Branch to use their experience.

The Past President should not try to still run the show, this will only lead to friction. The Branch should establish a policy stating the role that the Past President should play in Branch affairs and it should become traditional that they will be asked to perform certain duties. Thus, we will ensure that it becomes automatic that they would do certain things that their experience has qualified them for. It is vital to include them in future events, as they will tend to push away from it.

If your Past President has exceptional talent, and is willing to move on to higher grounds, then it is the duty of the Branch to assist them in achieving these goals. Good leaders are needed at all levels in the organization and they are going to have to come from the grassroots, our branches.

It is recommended that all the Executive read the Branch Leadership Manual section on “Past President” duties.