

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

BOARD REPORT - 2/20/2022

For this meeting Al had asked me to report in more detail than usual. He asked specifically for the number of renewals still 'in the queue' - well, we're well ahead of last year. There is only one spreadsheet of data waiting to be entered - that will be about 35 people, plus a few in the PO Box that Steve hasn't yet picked up. He is now down to two to three trips per week to the PO Box since the volume is very much reduced.

The on-line renewals are also slowing down now. I pick up data from PayPal every other week now and am usually getting between 40 and 50 renewals at each download.

We have prepared the "second reminder" letter and I expect that it will go out the week of this Board Meeting.

Current Status is:

Renewed Membership - Regular Members	3,051
Renewed Membership - Family Members	538
Total renewed Membership	3,589
Unrenewed Members from 12/31/2021 - Total	1,150

In 2021 we added 256 new Members to the Society. Obviously, if renewals stopped right now, we would be down by a large number, but renewals continue all year since we allow the 365 day grace period.

I believe that to be a mistake and that we should reduce it to 90 days and have a March 31 cut-off for renewals without penalty. However, that is a Board decision that would have to be handled with proper consideration.

We do have an April 20th cut-off for elections - anyone whose renewal is not entered by April 20th will NOT receive election mailings.

Hugh R. Harris,

Membership Administrator, NRHS.