

**CHANGE TO BYLAW REGARDING
PAYMENT OF DUES AND INSURANCE!**

This is important...Please read and heed!!!

- a. Dues for continued membership in the CFMS are payable on January 1 of each year and are delinquent if not paid by March 1.
- b. Following March 1 the Federation Executive Secretary shall notify each delinquent Society in writing that if the dues & insurance payment is not postmarked by April 1, they must pay a \$50 late fee. Any payments postmarked after April 1 that do not include the late fee will be returned to the Society.**
- c. Any Society that has not paid renewal dues by September 30 shall be dropped from the rolls of the Federation effective October 1 and shall be notified in writing by the Federation Executive Secretary.**
- d. Once a Society has been dropped from the Federation, they may not participate in Federation activities, shall not receive regular mailings and shall not be covered under the Federation's insurance program for any activities (including field trips) and no additional benefits of the Federation's insurance program (Certificate of Insurance, Additional Insured Endorsements, Directors and Officers Liability Coverage, Property/Premises insurance coverage) may be afforded.
- f. Any Society that has not paid renewal dues by September 30 must reapply for membership in the Federation and pay the additional \$250 application fee and any money the CFMS has paid on their behalf when they dropped out must be reimbursed to the CFMS before reinstatement.**

Changes were approved at the recent Fall Business Meeting in Visalia.

A form to use when paying your dues/insurance is posted on the FORMS page and by using the link in this calendar. Make certain that this is given to your treasurer.

The membership count is based on the number of persons in your organization as of 12/31/2015 whether or not they have paid dues for 2016.

If you have questions or concerns please contact me at bplarue@earthlink.net. Email is preferred for ease of contact. I do not use voice mail on my home phone.

Pat LaRue, CFMS, Executive Secretary/Treasurer

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