

Preface

FOR THE FOURTH YEAR IN A ROW we have published this directory and we believe this is the best ever. It also took less time and effort, which is a result of the refinement of our computer database and software. Like the 1988 directory, desk-top publishing techniques were employed, and like the 1989 Review, these techniques permitted the including of headlines, page headings and pagination all on a personal computer in headquarters office.

Presumably this means that when this work passes on to a younger person the machinery will be in place to continue the work efficiently and economically.

Last year our membership was slightly over the 100 mark and we noted in this space that we needed 300 memberships to meet our objectives of an annual bulletin to everybody and an annual directory to those who buy memberships.

Why is this work important to you? If you have grandchildren that should be sufficient answer. Experience has taught us that not until a member reaches the age of 40 is he or she likely to have the time or inclination to help us keep records up to date. Along about that time it is easier to see that as our children get married and there are prospects of grandchildren it is important that the family record be updated.

The best way to start is to write headquarters for a printout of your line starting with your parents or grandparents. What you will get is a proof showing recorded data and indicating what may be missing. If you fill in the blanks and return them to us we will insert the information you have given us and send you an updated copy.

As this is written 129 memberships have been received for 1989 and the meeting in Mississauga will need to reconsider our commitment to publish the directory annually.

ALDUS MORRILL CODY, Secretary
Kissimmee Florida, May 1989