

### **Proposed Bylaws Amendment # 23**

The Board accepted this proposed amendment to present to the members for a vote at the Board Meeting on 2/9/03. The proposal suggests a minor change to the following section of the Bylaws; where it currently reads:

"1.2. Our Ring System measures the growth and achievements of its participants. All levels are membership. Being a member in no way infers a right to initiation or advancement to the different rings. Initiation and advancement requires the approval from a member of the ring of the Oak."

will be amended to read:

"1.2. Our Ring System measures the growth and achievements of its participants. All levels are membership. Being a member in no way infers a right to initiation or advancement to the different rings. Initiation and advancement requires the approval from a member of the ring of the Oak, *who is usually referred to as the Dedicant's or Initiate's 'Champion.'* "

(Changes in italics.)

The Board feels that this small addition provides further clarification for members seeking Initiation.

**Approved by the Membership at the Annual Meeting June 2003.**