

MEMBERSHIP

Through its Visiting Committee and its Member Group the Oriental Institute is happy and honored to be associated with a sizable constituency of interested persons, particularly in the Greater Chicago area. It shares with them the results of its work by means of newsletters from the field, evening lectures in the James Henry Breasted Lecture Hall, occasional social gatherings, and the distribution of publications of general interest.

The Member Program corresponds to a twofold desire. The first is the desire of the University of Chicago and of the Institute to serve the community of which it is a part and so to perform to the fullest extent its proper function as an element of a democratic society. The second is the desire of the interested members of the community to be kept abreast of important contributions to knowledge in the field of the arts and the sciences and to participate in the enterprise by which they are made.

Membership dues and gifts by Members are one concrete expression of community participation in the work of the Institute, just as lectures, newsletters, and publications are the expression of the Institute's sharing with the community. The two complement each other happily and effectively. We continue to welcome additions to the Member Group and suggestions for new ways of serving it and the community.

Appended are: a list of the members of the Visiting Committee of the Institute for 1957/58, appointed by the University's Board of Trustees; a financial statement showing income in the Membership Fund and the use made of moneys provided by Member dues and gifts; and a list of the Members for the year 1957/58.