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Salute Archivist and Curators!

A fun fact.

When people gather to charter a new unit, these members send forms to the Department.

The Department ensures all is accurate and meets the requirements to charter a new unit. The Department then sends the requests for new charters to National Headquarters.

National Headquarters ensures all is accurate and meets the requirements for a new charter. The new charter is issued to Departments with the sitting National President and sitting National Secretary signatures. This is how National Headquarters knows what year each unit is chartered. National Headquarters then sends the new charter to Department for completion.

The Department receives the new charters and obtains signatures of the sitting Department President and sitting Department Secretary.

During DEC (Department Executive Committee) or Department Convention new charters are presented and recognized by the Department body.

National Headquarters do not have copies of Charters with National and Department signatures.

National President Trish Ward has stated she is a “History Buff,” and has respectfully requested a “snapshot,” or photocopy of charters as a fun History project.

It would be greatly appreciated for units to send “snapshots,” or photocopies of their charters to their District Historian.

The deadlines being simultaneous with End of Year Reports.

Unit to the District by April 11, 2025.

District to the Department by May 1, 2025.

Happy Archiving!!

For God and Country

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Proverbs 16:3