



Group History Form

“Whenever a society or civilization perishes there is always one condition present: they forgot where they came from.” – Carl Sandberg

Current Group Name:

Group Number:

The following questions are guidelines for a Group History. There are no rules for documenting your group’s history but involving as many group members as possible is suggested to ensure accuracy. When you compile and submit your Group’s information it will become a District 43 archival record. The more information you submit, the more information you can retrieve further on down the road when memories fade and group dynamics change.

- When was the group started?
- Who were the early members? Who started the group?
- Why was the group started? (Did it begin because of a split from a parent group? Because of some unresolved dispute among members? Because there was a need for a different type of meeting in your area?.....and so forth.)
- Where were the first meetings held? How often did the group meet? Where does the group meet now?
- What kind of meetings were held? Have there been changes in the type of meeting your group holds?
- Have any groups split off from your group? Why?
- Has the group changed its name over the years? Why?
- How has membership grown/changed over the years?
- Did the group encounter any special challenges or growing pains? What measures were taken to solve problems?
- Does your group have special stories about characters or incidents that get passed along to new members because they are unforgettable (either in a good way or bad)?

When your Group History is compiled and you are ready to submit it, make a final review. Have you included everything that you think a future reader would need to know about your group? When you are ready to submit your Group History, your GSR can deliver it to the D43 Archives Committee or it can be e-mailed to d43archiveschair@outlook.com