



DISTRICT HISTORIAN REPORT – FALL 2020

- Throughout the summer, Rich has been continuing to re-organize archival material for easy access and went through and filed some material that Bob Squires had not gotten to yet.
- Since the last report, several donations of materials have been made to the archives. They include the following:
 - o **Jim Kraatz Illini Statesmen/Champaign Chapter historical items from Celia Kraatz**
 - o **Barber-Q-Four Display and information from Tom Watts' son**
 - o **LP records from the Chuck Behrens collection from Carl Missele**
 - o **Music folios from the Don Hadden collection from his son, Mark**
 - o **Misc. Bloomington and district historical items from Jim Stahly**
- Rich purchased some supplies that can be used in upcoming displays as well as some extra storage drawers to house various artifacts. Receipts have been given to Jim Wagner, treasurer for reimbursement.
- Rich is planning a special display for the next convention to be held in Bloomington in March. In addition to the champion quartet photos usually on display, Rich has selected certain items from the archival collection for display throughout the convention weekend.
- Rich plans to work with Joe Gurreri to digitize some documents and photos of artifacts that can be pushed out to the members electronically as part of social media announcements or just for a virtual display throughout the year.
- Again, it is highly encouraged to all district members, that as barbershoppers pass on (or would like to clean out their closets!), Rich would gladly take any materials they or their families may have related to district history to add to the collection.

Respectfully submitted,

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