

CHARTER OF THE EASTERN ARIZONA CHAPTER
of the
ARIZONA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

GRANT OF CHARTER: Pursuant to Article XI of the Bylaws of the Arizona Historical Society, a charter is hereby granted to the Eastern Arizona Chapter of the Arizona Historical Society, hereinafter called the "Chapter" and the "Society" respectively, under the following conditions:

1. **NAME OF CHAPTER:** The name of the chapter shall be the Eastern Arizona Chapter.
2. **GEOGRAPHICAL AREA:** The geographical area of the Chapter shall be Gila, Graham, Greenlee, Apache and Navajo Counties, Arizona.
3. **MEMBERSHIP OF THE CHAPTER:** All members of the Chapter must be members in good standing of the Society. Chapter membership shall be assigned to the geographical area of the member's mailing address unless otherwise designated by the member.
4. **CHAPTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** The Chapter members shall elect a Board of Directors that shall be the governing body of the Chapter and shall have the power to adopt, alter or repeal bylaws pertaining thereto, consistent with the laws of the State of Arizona and the Constitution and Bylaws of the Society. The Chapter Board of Directors shall serve for the terms and in the manner provided by the Bylaws of the Chapter. Powers and duties of the Board of Directors of the Chapter shall include the following:
 - A. *Chapter Bylaws:* Adopt or amend, with the approval of the State Board of the Society bylaws, consistent with the laws of the State of Arizona pertaining to the Society and the Constitution, Bylaws, and Policies of the Society.
 - B. *Election of Officers:* Elect a President and Secretary/Treasurer and such other officers of the Chapter considered necessary.
 - C. *Membership:* Solicit and encourage membership in the Society and promote its purposes, goals, and activities; to advise and assist the Society's committees and staff in the design, conduct, and implementation of membership programs within the Chapter area; and to receive quarterly updates, at a minimum, from Society administration regarding membership status in the Chapter's geographical area.
 - D. *Representation on the Society State Board:* Provide the Nominating Committee of the Society with the name or names of persons to fill positions on the State Board of the Society to be elected or appointed from the area in which the Chapter is geographically located. If such recommendations are not received from the Chapter forty-five (45) days prior to the Annual Meeting, the Society's Nominating Committee will assume this responsibility.

E. *Monies:*

1. The Chapter Board of Directors shall raise funds and assist others with raising funds for the Society. Within the parameters of the Society and State of Arizona policies, the Chapter's Board of Directors shall have the option to collect, receive, and authorize the distribution of funds for the use and benefit of the Chapter. Monies such as dues received and disbursed by the Society or funds received and disbursed to the Chapter shall be used for such purposes as the Chapter may designate, pursuant to State Law.
2. The Chapter may allow a separate non-profit entity, recognized under IRS Section 501(c)3, to raise and hold monies for the Chapter under the terms of a written agreement approved by the Society's Board of Directors.

F. *Administrative Relationship:* The Chapter shall:

1. Serve as a liaison between the membership of the Chapter and the Society's Board of Directors and otherwise provide advice to the Society's Board of Directors on matters of concern to the Chapter.
2. Provide recommendations and advice regarding historic museums or historic organizations within the Chapter's geographical area to the end of encouraging and development of affiliate membership.

G. *Use of Historical Materials Collected:* The Chapter shall:

1. Encourage the donation, collection, protection, stabilization, preservation, restoration, reconstruction and maintenance of historical artifacts, books, maps, newspapers and documents reflecting the history of the geographic area of the Chapter.
2. Encourage, to the extent reasonably possible, that all original manuscript and photograph collections within the museums and collections of affiliates within the Chapter's geographic area, for their protection, are maintained in conformity with the Society of American Archivists' standards.

5. **CHAPTER REPRESENTATION ON THE SOCIETY BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** The Chapter shall have five (5) members on the Board of Directors of the Arizona Historical Society, one of which shall be from each of the counties within the Chapter's geographical area. If the Chapter is not otherwise represented on the Society's Executive Committee, then a member of the Society's Board of Directors representing one of the Chapter's counties shall be appointed to the Executive Committee.

6. **SOCIETY REPRESENTATION ON THE CHAPTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** For liaison purposes the President of the Society, or any other officer of the Society as designated by the President, may be an *ex officio* member of the Chapter Board of Directors.

7. **REVOCATION:** This Charter shall be in force so long as the Chapter has ten or more members and abides by the Constitution, Bylaws, and rules and regulations of the Chapter and the Society. The Society reserves the right to amend or revise, with Chapter consent, or revoke this charter. If the charter is revoked, all undistributed funds provided by the Society to the Chapter shall be either returned to the Society or returned to the donors if the gift was accepted with a restriction and the donor choses not to make an unconditional gift to the Society.

APPROVED by the Board of Directors of the Society at its regularly scheduled meeting on August 3, 2012.

ARIZONA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

By: _____
Michael Wade, President

ACCEPTED by the organizers of the Eastern Arizona Chapter on August 3, 2012.

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By: _____
Lynn Haak, Organizer

By: _____
Wilbur A. Haak, Organizer

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