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TO: National Executive Committee

Department and Chapter Commanders and Adjutants

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SUBJECT: New Department and Chapter Websites

I'm very excited to announce that the time is here to transition our member portal to new department and chapter websites!

The main reason we are changing from portals to websites is to enhance our communication ability with all sectors of DAV, from our leaders to members. The websites are cleaner, more functional, and the technology is current and compatible with today's internet providers.

And the best part is you don't have to do anything to make the change.

You will notice that beginning today, the portals are set to read-only while we migrate information and content to the new websites. The timing to accomplish this is expected to take a week to 10 days. You will not lose any current data or content. During this time, local webmasters won't have the ability to make content changes in their portal. Also, if your current webmaster is active, you are all set, however this is the best time to appoint a new one if needed.

Next, we'll redirect the old web addresses to the new sites, so you won't need to change a thing. Then, on April 24, your new website goes live.

The increased functionality of the new department and chapter websites will benefit us all. If you have any questions or concerns, don't hesitate to reach out to the <u>Membership Department</u>.

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