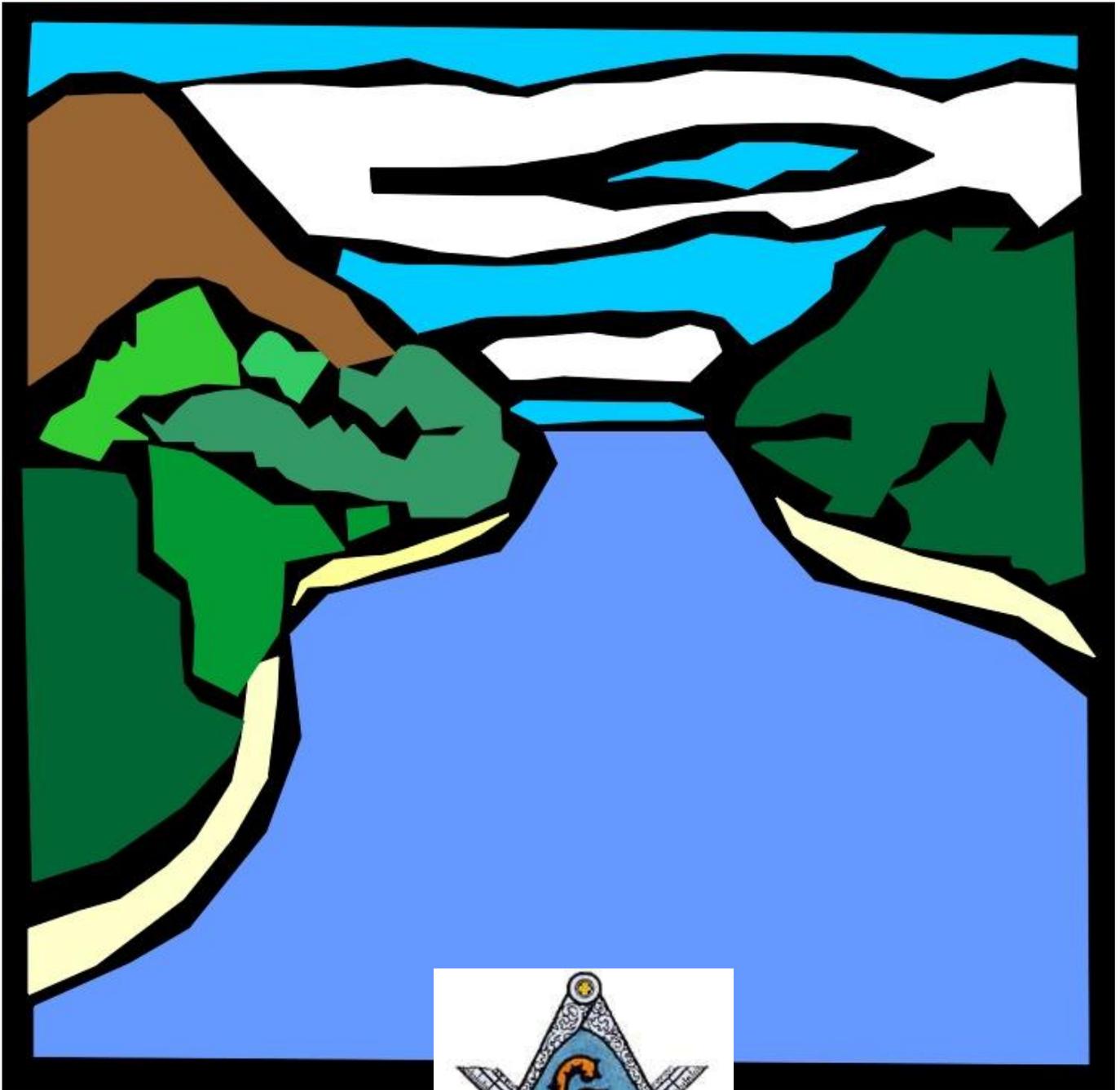


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~In Memoriam~

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CALLED HOME

Wilfred Bernard Bell, 32°	10/19/2010
Robert Reid Cooper, 32°	4/21/2011
Charles Eugene Dumpert, 32°	2/26/2008
Gerry Frederick Hansen, 32°	4/21/2010
Walter Hoerler, 32°	2/13/2009
Burl Elmer Huitt, 32° KCCH	2/4/2011
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James Robert Jolly, 32°	12/13/2010
Robert Davis Jordan, 32°	5/14/2008
James Edwin Loseth, 32°	5/25/2011
Charles Ross Megaughey, 32°	7/10/2011
George H. Mitchell, 32°	8/20/2007
William Stanley Nelson, 32°	12/31/2010
Ronald James Pedigo, 32°	11/2/2010
William Elias Richards, 32°	10/27/2009
Jack Gerald Shaffer, 32°	7/19/2011
John Noble Smith, 32°	10/9/2006
Clarence L. Stevenson, 32°	1/29/2009
Mel Whiting Thompson, 33°	7/14/2011
Rolland Thomas Tucker, 32°	6/11/2011
Dean Henry Weaver, 32°	7/3/2011



FEATURE ARTICLE

Supreme Council Releases Names of Honors Selectees

In an unprecedented move, the Supreme Council notified each Orient of those elected to receive honors at either the Biennial Session in Washington, D. C. on August 23 or at a local awards ceremony.

For the Valley of Denver the following are elected as Honorary Inspectors General of the 33rd Degree and Honorary Members of the Supreme Council of the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States of America (White Hats):

Andrew August Anderson
Wesley Lyle Campbell
David James Cox
Steven Lee Hubbard
Stephen Harry Jaouen
Robert Lloyd Sage
Michael Gaylord Severe
Dana Allan Speaks

In the same announcement, the following have been designated as Knight Commanders of the Court of Honor (Red Hats):

Neil Thomas Beaty
John Irvin Burns
James Charles Crenner
Peter James DeLaurier
Bruce Alan Evans
Lanny Bryant Harris
Philip Walter Hause
Karl Walter Koenig
Gary Eugene Mueller
Dennis Glenn Proctor
Roy Ashworth Snyder
Jack Davis White
Samuel Lee Wittner

The Orient of Colorado honors ceremony will be by invitation only to honormen on Saturday, September 24th at Denver Consistory.

Utopia Found?

Anonymous

*There is a place that you can find
Where everyone is always kind,
Where everything is harmony,
Where every man is always free.*

*No politics are spoken there,
No arguments to rend the air,
Where smiles glow bright on every face,
A joyful and a friendly place.*

*A place where men can do good deeds
And share their lot with those with needs,
But still have fun in all they do
While being good and firm and true.*

*A place where God is still revered
And tyranny is never feared,
A place there virtues still are taught,
Where goodness is not sold or bought.*

*"A Shangri La?" you say to me,
"Why such a place can never be!"
Untrue, my friend, there's one I know,
A place where good men often go.*

*And not just one, but many more,
Both here at home, on distant shore,
Thousands and thousands, I would guess;
There might be more, but never less.*

*They've been around hundreds of years,
These places where men need have no fears,
So now you ask, "Where do I go?"
All right, my friend, I'll let you know.*

*Look for a sign with compasses and square,
Easily found, they're most everywhere,
Just note the number and the street
To know where Masons go to meet.*

Come and Discover the Scottish Rite



From the Secretary's Desk

by Claud E. Dutro, 33°, Secretary

Brother to Brother

telephone contact got off on a great start on Saturday morning, July 23rd. Fourteen members volunteered to begin phoning members who have not participated in Consistory activities in the recent past. It was a most rewarding experience for both those making the calls and those receiving the calls. In two hours we processed about 300 records (10% of the membership). All agreed this was a worthwhile effort and needs to be continued. With most Saturdays committed to other Masonic events, our next session will not be for a couple of months. If you would like to participate in the next one, send an email to claud@denverconsistory.org and I will notify you when a date has been selected. The thanks of the Consistory to Randy Penn and his volunteers of Doug Cline, Loran Frazier, Bill Hickey, Bob Horen, Steve Jaouen, Dick Mitchell, Lance Rommerdahl, Bob Schimpf, Larry Tygart, Barry Watson, Scott Weakley, and Jason Wright.

A Purple Heart Award Ceremony will be held Wednesday, August 5 at 4:00 pm at the American Legion Post located at I-25 and Yale Ave, honoring Major Scott Weakley, USA (Ret), a member of our November 2010 reunion class. Congratulations on receiving this long overdue award.

The Shrimp Boil is upon us and reservations have been slow to come in. Phone the office **today** with your reservation for this casual dining experience with good friends and great food. See the flyer in this publication. Bring your friends and family, kids under 10 will be admitted free.

Next Stated Meeting is September 19th. Don't forget to dress casual and wear your favorite sports team shirt. Check the Menu section of www.denverconsistory.org for planned meals. The program will be the Scottish Rite Foundation's annual report and the Scottish Rite Masonic Center will update the progress of the fundraising program and building repairs. These are both important programs that many Masons and non-Masons inquire about. Come build your knowledge so you can answer questions correctly.

The Biennial Session of the Supreme Council will be held in Washington, D.C. from August 20 through August 24, at which time the Supreme Council will honor newly elected Knight

Commanders of the Court of Honor (KCCH – red hat) and Honorary Inspector Generals (33° - white hat). For those in attendance, the presentations will be made in Washington. For all other honorees, the Orient of Colorado will confer the honors during the afternoon of Saturday, September 24th at Denver Consistory. If you would like to participate in the events in Washington, please phone or email the office at your earliest convenience so that attendees can travel together. Several of us, including the Grand Master, are leaving early Saturday morning and will be back in Denver during the day on Wednesday.

Denver Consistory Library

Within the library at the Denver Consistory are several excellent volumes which members may peruse. These include, but are not limited to:

- **A Defense of Masonry, A. F. A. Woodford, 91 pages, 1874.**
- **The Symbol of Glory, George Oliver, 316 pages, 1870.**
- **Legenda, (Kadosh and Heirodom), Albert Pike, 176 pages, no date.**
- **A Brief History of the A. & A.S.R of Freemasonry, Edwin Sherman, 148 pages, 1890.**
- **On the Origins of Freemasonry, Thomas Paine, 44 pages, 1810.**
- **The Builders, John Newton, 347 pages, 1922.**
- **Freemasonry in America, prior to 1750, Melvin Johnson, 247 pages, 1916.**
- **The Freemason's Treasury, George Oliver, 407 pages, 1863.**
- **The Mystic Tie, Albert Mackey, 271 pages, 1867.**
- **Biography and Dictionary, J. B. Lippencock, Philadelphia, 379 pages, 1868.**

DENVER CONSISTORY

Shrimp Boil



Buffet Style Menu Includes:

Boiled Shrimp

Corn on the cob

Cole Slaw

Potato Salad

Dessert

Coffee, Iced Tea and Water

Casual fun for the whole family

Friday, August 5, 2011 - 6:00 pm

Denver Consistory, 1370 Grant Street, Denver

\$25 per person

Reservations required

Phone 303-861-4261 for reservations not later than Wednesday, August 3.



Between the Columns

by Michael D. Moore, 32°



A pair of columns found outside the Istanbul Archeology Museum.

“On the volume of Masonic life one bright word is written, from which on every side blazes an ineffable splendor. That word is DUTY.”
 Albert Pike (Pages 350-1 *Morals & Dogma*)

A Four Letter Word

We are taught from a early age to stay away from four letter words, but there is one which every Scottish Rite Freemason should remember and use. It is the word duty.

There are two kinds of duty which every Scottish Rite Mason is required to do. The first are seen in the earliest Masonic writings which show us the duties of the operative masons of their day. We are not bound by those rules, but they do still correspond to us modern, non-operative Masons. The second part of all this is what the degrees themselves teach should be in our lives and practices. And duty is one of those ideals. It is a word that comes up many times in them. Either expressly or by showing us in a round about way what we should do.

Some may call these duties principles or virtues. Albert Mackey puts it simply:

“The duty of a Mason as a honest man is plain and easy. It requires of him honesty in contracts, sincerity in affirming, performing. To sleep little, and to study much; to say little, and to hear and think much; to learn, that he may be able to do; and then to do earnestly and vigorously whatever the good of his fellows, his country and mankind requires are the duties of every Mason.”

Other Masonic writers add to this list being a good citizen, to be industrious, being kind, showing equity and to remember that one future day there may be an accounting for what was done here.

Brother Pike has much to say on this topic, we are:

“to war incessantly against error, intolerance, ignorance and vice; yet to pity those who err, to be tolerant of the intolerant, to teach the ignorant and to labor to reclaim the vicious, are some of the duties of a Mason”.

“Out of all the relations of life grow duties, as naturally as the leaves grow upon the trees.”

“The duties of life are more than life”

“Duty is the moral magnetism which controls and guides the true Mason’s course over the tumultuous seas of life... To perform that duty, whether the performance be rewarded or unrewarded, is his sole care. It does not matter, though this performance there may be no witnesses, and though what he does will forever unknown to all mankind.”



“Our duty is to always press forward in the search... and thus Masonry is a continual struggle toward the light.

Our duties are plain and not hard to understand. They should not heavy for us to do, but come naturally. Duties are not weights but help us change ourselves, those around us and the world. Don’t neglect or forget them. The generation of men who fought in the World Wars, understood this word in a national way. We should do the same as individuals towards our brothers, our community and the world.

Duty is not a four letter word we should abstain from either in our conversation or our lives.



9 Health Fair Status

by Bill Hickey, 32° KCCH

OK, I know it SEEMS like we JUST finished up with our 9 Health Fair – but it was back in April – nearly 3 months ago now. While official planning hasn't quite started back up, we've already asked for our date next year and will be starting the planning process for the 2012 Fair. Next year, our fair will be on 14 April – a week before most of the "traditional" 9 Health Fairs start up in Denver. We're going a week before like we did in 2010 because the Shrine Circus is planned for the weekend of April 21st and St. John's (just 3 blocks away) traditionally takes the last weekend of the fairs; it makes no sense to compete with them being so close by.

Each year we've managed to improve in some way or another – whether it be in the overall numbers or in our way of hosting the fair more effectively so the participants feel welcome and unharried. I plan to continue that process in the upcoming year.

In that regard, I will be looking for some help during the planning period and the run-up to the fair itself. I understand some of you can't participate at the fair for many reasons. But, if you would like to help out **BEFORE** the fair, I have some activities that will fit into just about anyone's schedule.

First, we need, for lack of a better term, a "Public Information Officer". Someone who will help design a flyer to be distributed around the nearby neighborhoods, perhaps as far away as LoDo (lower downtown Denver). This is so we can let folks know:

- (a) that we're having a fair OUTSIDE the normal 9HealthFair period, and
- (b) where we are and what screenings we'll be providing.

It's not all that hard, and certainly a number of 9HF external resources are available to help get that job done.

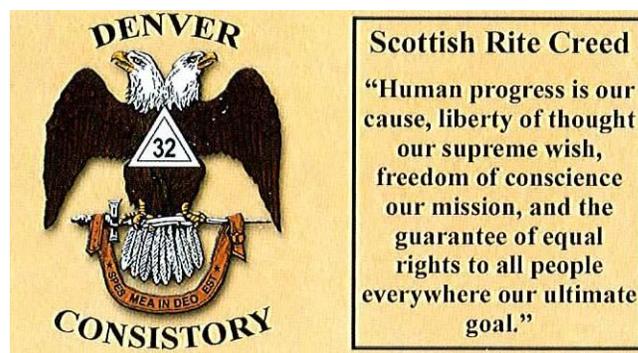
Next, we need to look at "flow" – how we process participants into the area and get them around to the various screenings in an efficient manner. We have that pretty well in hand, but I'd certainly appreciate another set of eyes to look at how we've been doing it and how we might improve.

Last, for now at least, I need someone to help me call around to the various agencies in the area that provide us with educational materials. Basically, you touch base with folks, arrange for them to send or possibly bring materials to the fair with people to staff a table and answer questions. This entails a few phone calls EARLY on, as these organizations tend to get overwhelmed with requests as we move toward the fairs in the spring.

None of these jobs NEEDS to be actively AT the fair (although the "flow" person should have been at them in the past to get a sense of how things worked or didn't work).

If you would like to assist in any other way that I haven't mentioned yet, please contact me and let me know. I'm sure I can find something that will not overwhelm you, but which will be invaluable to the effort.

Again, it takes a lot of people up front, during the fair, and afterward to make a successful event. I appreciate all the help you've provided in the past. I hope to see you in the upcoming year.



I always imagined when I was a kid that adults had some kind of inner toolbox full of shiny tools: the saw of discernment, the hammer of wisdom, the sandpaper of patience. But when I grew up, I found that life handed you these rusty, bent old tools: friendship, prayer, conscience and honesty, then said, "Do the best you can with these. They'll have to do." Mostly, against all odds, they're enough.

-Anne Lammott

10th Colorado Masonic Band Camp

by John Russell, 33°
photos by Bob Travis, 32° KCCH

On June 30th at the University of Northern



Colorado 113 students from 65 different Colorado high schools checked in for the Colorado Masonic Band Camp. Students are selected by high school



band directors and submit applications to participate in the band. Those selected are housed and fed on the UNC Campus for five days, during which they receive individual and group musical instruction



under the direction of Dr. Richard Mayne, University Director of Bands, and his staff. Colorado Masons raise the money to pay for this learning experience that is without cost to the



students and also provide the volunteers for adult supervision.

Many of these students have never marched in a band before as music instruction in many Colorado schools has been curtailed for lack of funding. Selected for their skill and talent they quickly absorb the university-level instruction, so that in five days (long hours) they became a band that took first place in the July 4th parade competition at the Greeley Stampede Parade for the second year in a row.



*Education is something more than
the acquisition of facts.*

*Education is the power and love of
thinking.*

-Bernard Revel



COMMITMENT

by Bill Hickey, 32° KCCH

A long time ago, when the late Brother Randy Trullinger, 32° was in the Colorado Job's Daughters Grand Line, he observed a chronic problem with some of the girls and adults saying they would do things and then not following through. In fact, he mentioned that he saw it in lodges and other organizations (both inside and outside the Masonic family) as well. While you can understand that teens and pre-teens sometimes THINK they'll be able to help, but when something else more fun comes up or they fail to let parents know what they promised, then the result is at the last minute they simply don't show without letting anyone know. The leaders that counted on them being available are suddenly thrown into turmoil trying to cover the missing resource(s). We all have competing priorities in our lives, and we all make many "commitments" in any given week; sometimes, we double-book or even triple-book ourselves without realizing it until it's too late. In some ways, society today enables us to overbook our free time too easily.

When we agree to accept a position of responsibility as an officer, committee chair, or even just as a member of a group, we make a "commitment" of our talent and time. Sometimes we give and sometimes we receive from the organization for the time we spend. The GAOTU gives all of us only so many hours of life – and he's not telling us what that number is. When any organization (ours included) asks for "support" and it "only" involves money, we can give them a donation and turn around and make more money to replace it (assuming you still have a job in this economy). But, when someone asks you for your TIME to support their efforts, you are being asked to give the most PRECIOUS gift you have to offer. You can't buy more time from the GAOTU, you can't trade someone else for their time, you can't go back and ask for "bonus" hours because you've been a great guy ... in short, the hours you give up are IRREPLACEABLE and priceless. While it is incumbent on the individual not to casually offer support and to actually show up when promised, it is also incumbent upon those who receive the collective volunteer hours to make sure they are used wisely and effectively. If, for whatever reason(s), the organization or person doesn't seem to have a handle on using your talents wisely, instead of shrugging shoulders and walking away in disappointment, why not look for opportunities to make your time more useful and valuable to the group – in other words, fill a hole that's missing somewhere – and perhaps the person in charge doesn't even "see" the holes that you see because they're too close to the problem.

Any significant undertaking requires TEAMWORK – and a team, by definition, has a leader with followers. You can't have multiple leaders – because then the team is never sure which way to go (competing visions, conflicting directions). Once decisions are made by the leader, everyone needs to pull TOGETHER to make the effort go as smoothly and successfully as possible. In other words, commit to the action needed.

The biggest problem for all of us is a tendency to OVERCOMMIT. We don't want to say that "Grand Word" (NO) to anyone. The reality here is that there are only 24 hours in a day, 7 days in a week, and 365 (give or take) days a year. When we're active in a lot of organizations, the time we have available to give any one group grows smaller – and it becomes even more important that we make sure to remember which group we promised what – and that we follow through. After all, we made a "COMMITMENT" – didn't we?

Scottish Rite Charities

The Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite of the Southern Jurisdiction believes that to achieve the spreading of the principle of Charity is to lead by example. To Achieve a goal of charitable giving the Scottish Rite supports and promotes several philanthropic endeavors including learning centers, awards programs, and scholarships.

The oldest Scottish Rite Charity is the RiteCare Childhood Language Program. This program was started by the Scottish Rite to provide children with speech, language disorders, or learning disabilities with diagnostic evaluations as well as treatment options. Today there are dozens of RiteCare language facilities and programs staffed by trained professionals that help children of varying ages with speech difficulties or reading problems.

In order to show some support and encouragement to patriotic young Americans the Scottish Rite also hosts programs that recognize students in JROTC and ROTC programs nationwide. These initiatives honor young men and women who embody patriotism and excel academically that are enrolled in either Junior Officers Training Corps or Reserve Officer Training Corps programs. This program rewards the awardee with a medal, a ribbon, and a certificate that is suitable for framing.

Annually, the Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite of the Southern Jurisdiction offers scholarships to young men and women who excel in both community service and their academic studies.

ALLEGIANCE

The bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, sitting in the Valley of Denver, Orient of Colorado, acknowledge and Yield allegiance to the **Supreme Council** (Mother Council of the World) of the Inspectors General, Knights Commander of the House of the Temple of Solomon of the Thirty-third degree of the Ancient Scottish Rite of Freemasonry For the Southern Jurisdiction of The United States of America.

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CALENDAR

2011 Denver Consistory Schedule

August

Fri	Aug 5	6:00 PM	Shrimp Boil - Parking garage available Ladies and Guests invited
Sat	Aug 13	10AM	GL-OES All Masonic Picnic
Wed	Aug 17	6:00 PM	Officers' Midyear Planning Meeting
Sun	Aug 21		El Jebel Shrine Picnic at Grampas Park in Golden
Sun	Aug 21-24		Biennial Session – Supreme Council - Washington DC

September

Mon	Sept 5		Consistory closed for Labor Day holiday
Mon	Sept 19		Stated Meeting - Parking garage available - <i>Sports Team Shirt Night</i>
		5:30 PM	Red Room Business Meeting
		6:00 PM	Dinner <i>Chicken Cacciatore/Key Lime Pie</i>
		7:00 PM	Scottish Rite Foundation Program
		7:30 PM	Split Meeting
Sat	Sept 24	1:00 PM	Honor's Conferral – 33° Coronetting - Parking garage available
		4:30 PM	Honor's Conferral – KCCH Investiture - Parking garage available

October

Sat	Oct 8	5:00 PM	Oktoberfest at El Jebel Shrine Center
Mon	Oct 17		Stated Meeting - Parking garage available
		5:30 PM	Red Room Business Meeting
		6:00 PM	Dinner <i>Beef Pot Roast/Chocolate Mousse</i>
		7:00 PM	Entertainment - Feast of Tishri Observance
		7:30 PM	Split Meeting- 5 minute Oration by Minister of State of Denver Consistory

Note: all menus are listed on our web page at www.denverconsistory.org