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FEAST OF TISHRI STATED MEETING THIS MONTH

The Feast of Tishri, celebrated each year with a traditional Scottish Rite Table Lodge Banquet, will also honor and introduce our new Scottish Rite members and their wives. The Cap and Ring Ceremony will take place during the festivities. Reservations are required to participate (466-3391). Tuxedo for Officers and/or business attire for guest. Cost is \$30 per person for this 5 course dining experience, accompanied by appropriate wines. If you have not attended or experienced a Table before, this is your chance to be a part of this tradition. Hope to see you there! 

Scottish Rite Events 2008

MONTH LODGE Officers DRESS

October - **Lodge of Perfection - Tuxedo**

Oct. 1st—Stated Meet/Elections/Feast of
Tishri Table Lodge Banquet
Cap and Ring Ceremony

Oct. 29- Cath. Bd./Off.Conf (**CHANGE**)

November - **Council Kadosh - Suits**

Nov. 5th—Stated Meeting - 25 & 50

Year Awards

Nov. 26th—Cathedral Board/Officers Conf

December-**Chapter Rose Croix -Tuxedo**

Dec. 3rd—Stated Meeting

*NOTE: Dates, times and events are subject to
change during the year.*

FALL CLASS



Back Row: **Paul Mullin, 32°-Summit #12, Dan Gibson,32°-Ophir Bear Mountain #33, Ken Belt, 32° - Morning Star #68, Robert L. DelCampo,32° - Turlock #395, Robert M. DelCampo,32° - Turlock #395, R. Tod Ruse, 33°.**

Front Row: **Johnny R. Ford, 32°, Morning Star #68, Albert "Terry" Erlandson, 32° - Summit #112, Boyd K. Seavey, 32° - East Belt Tuolumne #8, Michael Merriweather, 32° - Morning Star #68, Albert Pike, 32° - Morning Star #68, John "Bill" Bolt, 32° KCCH, Director of the Works.**



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LUNCH BREAK AT DEGREES



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FROM THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate our new 32nd degree members. We now have ten new active members who are looking forward to being active in the Valley of Stockton. The new schedule for degrees worked out very well. There was plenty of time to cover all the requirements necessary to complete the entire program.

A special thank you goes to our new member Brother Robert DelCampo. We had a two week break between degrees and Brother Robert from Turlock painted an original oil masterpiece of an early Scottish Rite Lodge up in the mountains. It will be on permanent exhibit in the Scottish Rite office. Please come by and see what the degrees meant to one of our new brothers.

Another big thank you goes to John Bolt, KCCH, our Director of the Works, the degree teams and the stage/costume crews for an outstanding job putting on the degrees. All went very well and the new members were very impressed.

On the first of October we will be having our Feast of Tishri Table Lodge and will be honoring our ten new 32nd degree members. After the Table Lodge we will move into the auditorium for the Ring and Cap ceremony. Finally we will adjourn into Stanley Room for our

DEPLOYED

One of our family was deployed last month. US Navy Seaman Stephanie Lynn Coale, assigned Master-at-Arms, was deployed to KBN Navel Base, Kuwait. She is stationed and attached with a mobile security unit out of Portsmouth Navel Base, VA. Coale, 20, is a 2005 graduate of East Union High School in Manteca. She is the daughter of Ron and Dorothy Coale and the Grand Daughter of Ill. Ron Coale.

**ASSISTING THE
DEPLOYED**

Stockton High 12 Pres. John Pozar, 32° KCCH reports a worthwhile project of his club. They are supporting Troops from The California National Guard from our local Aviation Company deployed in Afghanistan by sending packages for toilet items and shoes and soccer balls for the local children. If you would like to assist in this worthwhile project, contact Bro. John at 209 952-6442



IN MEMORIUM
Franklin "Frank" R. Beck
9/08/2008
AASR since 1990
Member East-Belt Tuolumne #8

Allen Lee Rollins
8/25/08
AASR since 1946
Member Escalon #591

Louis Charles Anderson
7/23/08
AASR since 1983
Member Calavaras #78

“Father, in thy Gracious keeping
leave we now thy servant.”
sleeping, Amen.”



From The Ladies Association

Welcome back everyone and it was a pleasure to see Billie Beard and Rose Clark.

Hope you had an enjoyable summer and visited many interesting places. The ladies' group is proud of the amount of money they have generate through their various project. Various ideas were discussed and the consensus seems to focus on the ladies' restroom and lounge. A face lift would include painting and replacing the carpet. As information comes in it will be shared and final decisions will come from the group.

It would also be nice if the hallway in front of the bathrooms could be included. We will see how far our money will stretch. By the way check the paper towel dispenser. You only have the crank it. Hopefully, this will address the fingernail concern. This is only valid for the one on the right side. Beware of the one on the left.

A nominating committee has been selected. They are Shirley Davis; Ida Evans; Shirley Smith, and Elaine Van Holland. They will report at the next meeting in October.

A discussion was held about planning for our annual Fashion Show/Salad Luncheon. Being June is a busy month for many with graduations, wedding, and vacations, it was discussed to change the event to October. This was well received by those present. We will check the calendar and tentatively book that event for 2009. Rose Clark also has an crocheted blanket that we will use as a raffle item. Tickets will go on sale in October and the drawing will be at our December meeting.

Marlene Von Berg, President,
Scottish Rite Ladies' Association



The Double Headed Eagle

by Brian House, 32°

Consistory of Denver

The symbol of the Double Headed Eagle is actually not the symbol of the Scottish Rite but rather the symbol of the 32nd degree. It is first seen in Sumeria, the first recorded civilization.

Later it was used in the Byzantine Empire by the emperor as a symbol of his role as the head of the religious state as well as the secular state. The Romanoff's in Russia, as well as other European

monarchs, used the Double Headed Eagle as a symbol of their two roles as head of state and head of the church. In early masonic history it was described as the symbol of the Knights of the East and West. Manly Hall, the masonic scholar, thought it stood for the union of the female and male in one entity. Albert Pike saw it as a symbol of the duality of all things, i.e. hot and cold are not opposites but are instead measurements of the same thing: temperature. Light and darkness, far and near, tall and short etc. describe the same phenomenon.

So once again there is no official meaning of the symbol but a variety of possibilities, which is the beautiful thing about masonic symbolism. We have to figure it out for ourselves to our individual satisfaction.



Shrine Night at the Rite

Members of both Aames and Ben Ali Shrines met with us at our Stated Meeting in September. We thank Shrine members for turning out in their fez to the meeting.

SHRINE SCREENING CLINIC AT THE RITE

Ben Ali Shrine will hold their annual screening clinic at the Rite to screen applicants for the Shrine Hospital in Sacramento. The Stockton Scottish rite is pleased and honored to host this event each year for the Shrine.

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Scottish Rite Calendar

October - Lodge of Perfection - Tuxedo

Oct. 1st—Stated Meeting **5:30 pm/Elections (CHANGE)**

Feast of Tishri Table Lodge Banquet

(This is a 5 course dinner, cost \$30)

Cap and Ring Ceremony for New Members

Oct. 29- Cathedral Board / Officers. Conference (**CHANGE**)



STOCKTON SCOTTISH RITE BODIES

**Feast of Tishri Table Lodge
Cap and Ring Ceremony
& Stated Meeting**

October 1st

**Dinner cost will be \$30 per person due
to the Table Lodge includes a 5 course
meal with wines. Be sure you call in
your reservations**

6 pm Social - 6:30 Dinner

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