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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 4 th , 2007, Thursday.....Lodge of Perfection:	Executive Meeting 5:45 P.M. Dinner at 7:00 P.M. Meeting at 8:00 P.M.
January 23 rd , 2007, Tuesday.....Scottish Rite Guard:	Dinner at 7:00 P.M. Meeting at 7:30 P.M.
January 25 th , 2007, Thursday.....Executive Committee:	Meeting at 7:30 P.M.
January 26 th , 2007, Friday.....Unity/Grand Master Forum:	Dinner at 6:30 P.M. Meeting to follow.

**GUEST SPEAKER FOR THE LODGE OF PERFECTION: DAVID WILKINSON
SUBJECT: 17TH DEGREE, "KNIGHT OF THE EAST AND WEST."**

- 1. RENOVATIONS:** Brethren: Join us on January 4th, 2007 for the Lodge of Perfection Meeting. Dinner will be served as usual at 7:00 P.M. in our newly renovated Dining Room. The new ceiling has been installed, the block walls have been sealed, primed and painted, chair rail and crown molding have been added to the walls, Several panes of the windows have been replaced and Plantation Shutters have been installed on both windows and the opening between the dining room and kitchen. Light fixtures will be replaced sometime in the near future and we are in the process of ordering all new round banquet tables and chairs. All shrubbery has been installed with a sprinkler system around the exterior of the building. Come out and enjoy an evening of fellowship and see the transformation that "YOUR" Scottish Rite Center is going through.



- 2. AN OLD FARMER'S WISDOM:** 1. Life is simpler when you plow around the stump. 2. A bumble bee is considerably faster than a John Deere tractor. 3. Words that soak into your ears are

whispered....not yelled. 4. Meanness doesn't just happen overnight. 5. Forgive your enemies. It messes up their heads. 6. Do not corner something that you know is meaner than you. 7. It doesn't take a very big person to carry a grudge. 8. You cannot unsay a cruel word. 9. Every path has a few puddles. 10. When you wallow with pigs, expect to get dirty. 11. Keep skunks, bankers and lawyers at a distance. 12. The best sermons are lived, not preached. 13. Most of the stuff people worry about will never happen. 14. Don't judge folks by their relatives. 15. Remember that silence is sometimes the best answer. 16. Timing has a lot to do with the outcome of a rain dance. 17. If you find yourself in a hole the first thing to do is stop digging. 18. Sometimes you get and sometimes you get got. 19. Always drink upstream from the herd. 20. Good judgment comes from experience and a lot of that comes from bad judgment. **Live simply. Love generously. Care deeply. Speak kindly. Leave the rest to God.**

3. **UPCOMING ELECTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS:** Election of Officers will be held at the Scottish Rite Center for all Bodies at the regular meeting in February. If you have any interest in serving the fraternity please let your intentions be known to the secretary. If you do not have any interest in going through the chairs of one of the bodies your talents are still needed. Interest sheets and cards are available each month in the lobby next to the sign in ledger. This paperwork has a multitude of areas in which we need help, whether is be for the degrees, building maintenance, dinner preparation etc. Please take the time and make the effort and pick up one of these, complete the paperwork and turn it in to the secretary so that we may get **"YOU"** involved in **"YOUR"** Scottish Rite. One of the members stated one day that he will attend a meeting and listen but unless he becomes involved he probably will not be back on a regular basis. As I have stated before, Take the Time and Make the Effort, the more exertion you put in the more reward you shall receive.
4. **ATTENTION; MASTER MASONS OF THE 10TH DISTRICT;** Unity/Grand Master's Forum Meeting for all Master Masons in the 10th District will be held on January 26th, 2007, Dinner at 6:30 P.M. Communication to follow, at the Scottish Rite Center. The Grand Master, Eli Stafford, will be the Guest Speaker. This will be the time to ask questions of concern which you might have. Also the Worshipful Masters of the lodges in the 10th District should be prepared to give a brief summary of their program for the year. Come enjoy an evening of fellowship and the sharing of ideas.
5. **HIGHLIGHT OF A MEMBER: (SEVERAL MEMBERS):** The following brethren are highlighted this month because they are a **TEAM** and function as **ONE**. Without these brethren most of us would not enjoy dinners and lunches at all of the functions held at the Scottish Rite. As you can tell, just from the color of their caps, they have contributed much to the fraternity over the years. They are dependable and hard working brothers who setup the dining room, buy the food, prepare the meals and cleanup the kitchen after most Scottish Rite Functions. All Valleys throughout the state do not have this available to them. Some valleys charge for each and every meal which is served at their valley and some do not even have a kitchen and have to have the meals catered each month.



The brethren in the above photo from left to right are: **Joe Woolsey**, received his degrees on 9/13/1980, his KCCH on 10/21/1991 and his 33° on 11/19/2005. **Jerry Willgus**, received his degrees on 5/14/1999 and his KCCH on 11/5/2005. **Gerald Free**, degrees on 10/19/1978 and KCCH on 11/5/2005. **Eric Fleishner**, degrees on 6/1/1968, KCCH on 10/18/1993 and his 33° on 11/15/2003. **Joe Meehan**, degrees on 4/30/1977, KCCH on 10/6/1997. **Lloyd McCoy**, degrees on 12/10/2005. **Luis Arocho**, degrees on 5/10/1996, and KCCH on 11/1/2003. These Brethren are definitely 7 of the **“FAITHFUL FEW.”** Thank them the next time you see them for their efforts.

6. **QUOTABLE QUOTES:** 1. All achievements, all earned riches, have their beginnings in an idea. (Hill) 2. It's always too early to quit. (Peale) 3. If you pick up a starving dog and make him prosperous, he will not bite you. That is the difference between dog and man. (Twain) 4. What worries you, Masters you. (Robinson) 5. Concentrate. Put all your eggs in one basket and then watch the basket. (Carnegie) 6. Few things can help an individual more than to place responsibility on him and to let him know that you trust him. (Washington) 7. I am rather inclined to silence and whether that be wise or not, it is at least more unusual nowadays to find a man who can hold his tongue than to find one who cannot. (Lincoln) 8. Most of the important things in the world have been accomplished by people who have kept on trying when there seemed to be no hope at all. (Carnegie) 9. The state of your life is nothing more than a reflection of your state of mind. (Dyer) 10. You maintain your balance, poise, and sense of security only as you are moving forward. (Maltz)
7. **ONE FOR THE ROAD:** 1. My wife is a registered nurse at an eye center and thought since I had not had my eyes checked in several years that I should make an appointment. I did so and when I entered the receptionist gave me a pre-examination form. One entry was “Reason for visiting the doctor.” I could not resist. I wrote, **“Long Time No See.”**

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Human progress is our cause, liberty of thought our supreme wish, freedom of conscience our mission and the guarantee of equal rights to all people everywhere our ultimate goal.

THERE IS A BLUE LODGE BROTHER WAITING TO BECOME A SCOTTISH RITE MASON, WHY NOT ASK HIM?

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