

# COLORADO SUPPLEMENT

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## KNIGHTS TEMPLAR ASSOCIATION

Each Year the Knights Templar Association (KTA) sends out dues requests. Many of the Commanderies pay the requested amount and some send additional amounts. To those Commanderies, we are truly thankful. The Knights Templar Association is proud of the activities that we sponsor and are only able to continue our efforts through the generous contributions of the Colorado Commanderies. We ask that you pay the dues requested and consider contributing additional amounts so we can continue and improve these programs that promote the Knights Templar.

We hold monthly meetings to plan our events and to discuss Commanderies. These are an opportunity to meet and discuss with members and leaders of other Commanderies. These meeting can help each of us to improve our Commanderies.

The KTA works to promote Knights Templar Masonry throughout Colorado. We do this by sponsoring a number of programs and special events each year. These events and our meetings are open to all Sir Knights and their guests. This is an opportunity for you to give your friends and neighbors an answer to the question: What do Masons do?

During the last year, we have implemented one new awards program. The new program is the Holy Land Pilgrimage Contributions Program.

The following is a list of the programs we sponsor and a brief explanation of each.

**Greatest Number Increase in Membership Award Program**  
This award will be presented to the Colorado Commandery with the largest net increase in number of members each year.

**Greatest Percentage Increase in Membership Award Program**  
This award will be presented to the Colorado Commandery having the largest percentage net increase in number of members each year.

### Easter Sunrise Service

For over 84 years, the Colorado Knights Templar have sponsored an Easter Sunrise Service at the El Jebel Shrine. This is the longest, continuous Easter Sunrise service in Colorado.

### Christmas Observance

The KTA sponsors a Christmas Observance program each year at the El Jebel Shrine.

### Ascension Day Observance

Ascension Day Observance: We sponsor a special Ascension Day Observance annually. This event is hosted by different Commanderies. (Volunteer your Commandery to host this event next year)

### Memorial Service Program

We sponsor a Memorial Service hosted by a voluntary Commandery. This is an opportunity for Sir Knights to observe the Service so that their Commandery can learn how to perform the Service. We also have some Sir Knights equipped to put on this Service for our departed Sir Knights as needed.

### Traveling Sword Program

The KTA started the Traveling Sword Program to encourage more communications between Commanderies by encouraging Commandery visits. The Commandery that travels the furthest each year to capture the sword is recognized at the Grand Sessions and receives a plaque.

### Holy Land Pilgrimage Contribution Program

Commanderies who raise and contribute \$1000.00 will be awarded a plaque that can be displayed on their Commandery wall. For every \$200 additional moneys raised , a star will be added to the plaque.

### Banner Program

We recognize all Commanderies that participate in programs for Christmas, Easter, Ascension Day or that march or have a float in a parade. If marching in a parade a minimum of 4 participants is required. These can be one of the programs sponsored by the KTA or programs put on by your Commandery. A ribbon is presented for each of these activities and may be displayed on the Commandery's Banner.

### The Seniors EyeCare Program

Persons who are 65 years of age or older, and have not seen an Ophthalmologist should call the Seniors EyeCare Program at 1-800-222-EYES. Be sure to state that a Knight Templar has referred you.

### Grand Commander's Visitation Schedule

Pueblo #3	3/16/2010
Eastlake 42	3/18/2010

### Grand Thrice Illustrious Master's Visitation Schedule

Zabud Council # 8	3/11/2010
Canon City Council #5	3/17/2010
Tyrian Council #11	3/20/2010
Greeley Workshop	3/27/2010