

TOUR DESCRIPTIONS

89TH SESSION OF THE SUPREME ASSEMBLY SOCIAL ORDER OF THE BEAUCEANT

September 20 – 26, 2009

Saturday, 9/19/2009 Tour 1 BLACK HAWK CASINO \$25.00

Leave Grand Ballroom Lobby of hotel at 5:00pm return at 10:00pm

Black Hawk is one of 3 mountain towns in Colorado that have limited gaming. We will arrive at the Casino at 6:00pm in this old silver mining town nestled in the Rocky Mountains. Black Hawk is a laid back town now bustling with many small casinos. A book of coupons for food, and gifts will be given to you upon arrival. A minimum of 35 people are needed or the tour will be canceled.

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Sunday, 9/20/2009 Tour 2 VAIL AND THE MOUNT OF THE HOLY CROSS \$55.00

Leave Grand Ballroom Lobby of hotel at 8:30am **BE AWARE THE ALTITUDE IS OVER 10,000 FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL.**

Travel for 2 hours thru the beautiful Rockies to the place where we will leave our bus and take a small van the 5 miles to the viewing place of the Mount of the Holy Cross. Remember we are going to be over 10,000 feet in altitude, if you have any heart condition PLEASE check with your doctor before signing up for this trip. There is also a short walk to the viewing area, there are benches placed along the path and it is handicap accessible. Susan Seller, our official photographer, will be with us to take memorable photos with the "Cross" in the background. If the weather is inclement the viewing of the cross will not be possible. We would then just proceed to Vail for extra time wandering thru the Swiss like village, with lots of shopping and beautiful mountain scenery. A **box lunch** will be provided. We will return to the hotel in plenty of time for Vesper Services.

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Monday, 9/21/2009 Tour 3 ESTES PARK \$55.00

Leave the Grand Ballroom Lobby of hotel at 8:00am return 4:00pm

Take a beautiful ride north thru the city of Boulder, to the quaint mountain town of Estes Park. Estes Park is the entrance of the Rocky Mountain National Park where you may see elk wandering thru the town. Here you will visit the historic Stanley Hotel, which was featured in the movie "The shining". The Stanley was built in the early 1900's by the Stanley brothers who invented the Stanley Steamer. Then you will tour the Stanley and electric hydro plant museums. After lunch you will go to the McGregor Ranch Homestead. The McGregor is a working ranch that was built in the 1860's. The original farm house, complete with furnishings, and the barns and out buildings have antique farming tools on display. The mountain scenery at the ranch is breath-taking. **Lunch included.**

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Tuesday, 9/22/2009 Tour 4 DENVER CITY TOUR & RED ROCKS \$50.00

Leave the Grand Ballroom Lobby at 9:00am return at 4:00pm

Travel to the famous Red Rocks Amphitheater which was built during the Great Depression. It is carved out of the rocks and has held concerts of some of the biggest name artists. On to the U.S. Mint, one of two mints in the United States. For security purposes cameras, cell phones with cameras, purses and bags are not permitted. They may be left on the bus. **Lunch** at the Masonic Building, which was built in 1891 and is the home of Denver #1, SOOB. After lunch proceed to the Denver Museum of Nature and Science. The museum is the location that President Obama selected to sign the stimulus bill in February. An Imax theater is available as well as the Denver Zoo for an addition \$4.00 each. Leave to return to the hotel at 3:30pm.

Wednesday, 9/23/2009 Tour 5 AIRFORCE ACADEMY (MEN ONLY) \$45.00

Leave the Grand Ballroom lobby at 10:00am return at 5:00pm

Spend 2 hours touring the Academy. See the magnificent Chapel, the Visitors Center and the academy grounds. **Lunch at the Officers Club** (the Falcon Club) then take a short drive to Colorado Springs, at the foot of Pikes Peak. Take a short drive thru the Garden of the Gods with its unusual rock formations, then on to the Olympic Training Center. Tour the center to see where our Olympic athletes train. Return to the hotel in time for the Annual Banquet.

Thursday, 9/24/2009 Tour 6 MINE COORS BREWERY PLUS \$45.00
MEN ONLY – LUNCH NOT FURNISHED

Leave the Grand Ballroom lobby at 9:00am return at 4:30pm

Tour the Forney Transportation Museum. This is a fun museum filled with antique and classic autos. Then off to Idaho Springs to the Argo Mine. You get to do deep into the mine and see the old mining equipment of the late 1800's and pan for gold. After the tour go on to Central City for lunch and a visit of the historic Masonic Lodge, the Opera House with the "face on the bar room floor". Leave Central City at 2:30 for Golden and a tour of Coors Brewery.

Thursday Evening 9/24 Tour 7 Colorado Rockies –San Diego Game \$20.00

Leave Grand Ballroom lobby of hotel at 5:30pm – **No transportation is provided – we will help you find transportation by car pooling or taxicab, the cost will be about \$10 per person for a round trip.**

The first pitch of this Colorado Rockies – San Diego Padres Baseball Game is at 6:45pm. Meet in the main lobby of the hotel for your tickets and information on getting to the game.

Friday, 9/25/2009 Tour 8 Black Hawk Gambling \$25.00

Leave Grand Ballroom lobby one (1) hour after morning session closes. Return at 6:00pm in time for Installation.