



May 2025

Dear Out of State Distinguished Guests,

On behalf of our Worthy Grand Matron, Kaeleen Buckingham; Worthy Grand Patron, Robert Walker; the "Always Better Together" Grand Family and all members of the Grand Chapter of Colorado,

The Distinguished Guests Committee wishes to extend to you a most cordial invitation to attend our **"Always Better Together" Grand Chapter Session**, at the Double Tree Hotel, **September 18-20, 2025**. September is a great time to visit Colorado, with our typically warm, sunny days, followed by cool evenings and beautiful sunsets.

There is a lot of information included in this letter, so please read carefully.

The Double Tree Hotel is located on the corner of Quebec Street and Martin Luther King Boulevard: 3203 Quebec Street, Denver, CO 80207

REGISTRATION: Please complete the out-of-state registration form (**one per person - all hard copy registrations must be received by September 1, 2025**) or you can use the convenient online registration form located at www.oes-colorado.org/registration.

All online pre-registrations are to be made no later than September 1, 2025. Please be sure to take an extra moment to fill out the "Title" Section" on your registration form. This would be your highest Grand title as of September 17, 2025. We now accept credit cards for both registration and meals.

You may pick up your registration packets in the Out-of-State Registration Room Executive A/B

Wednesday, September 17, 2025 12:00 noon - 4:00 pm

and 1 hour after Past Grand's Banquet (~7:00 - 8:00 pm)

Thursday 9/18/2025 7:00 - 8:00 am

or after that, at the Colorado Registration room when they are open.

BANQUETS:

All reservations for banquets must be made through the Banquets Chairman either on the Meal Reservation form, as instructed in the Tentative Program or you may use the convenient online form. **ALL banquet reservations are due no later than September 1, 2025.**

GOs, GEs, GRAND GUARDS: All members and friends are welcome to attend this luncheon on Wednesday, September 17th at 12:00 noon

PGM & PGP BANQUET: All PGMs, PGPs & one escort are invited to attend the Past Grand's Banquet on Wednesday, September 17th at 5:30 pm.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES LUNCHEON will be held on Thursday, September 18th at 12:00 pm and is open to all members and their escort or friend.

The **ALL-MEMBER BANQUET** will be held on Thursday, September 18th at 5:30 pm. Please select either beef tips or chicken thigh as your entree. Again, this fun event is open to all members and their non-OES family & friends. Think 'Christmas' when choosing your attire for the evening.

The **INSTRUCTORS BREAKFAST** is open to anyone who is or has been an instructor of our Ritualistic work AND to all our Eastern Star members who need somewhere to go for breakfast and who would enjoy early morning fellowship. Friday, September 19th at 6:30 am.

The **GOLDEN GLEANERS CLUB LUNCHEON** will be held on Friday, September 19th at noon. The 3 northern area host Chapters welcome ALL members & their escorts.

The **DISTINGUISHED GUESTS BANQUET** will be held on Friday September 19th at 5:30. We will honor the Colorado GGCCMs, followed by other acknowledgements and recognize our Masonic Youth and other Masonic Leaders. Please select your entree: Lasagna or Chicken Parmesan.

The **PAGO LUNCHEON** will be held on Saturday September 20th at 12:00 noon and is open to ONLY Past Appointed Grand Officers and their escort. For more Banquet information, please refer to the hard copy banquet form or the tentative itinerary.

*** The Distinguished Guest Reception will be held on Wednesday September 17th from 3:00 pm –4:30 pm and is open to all members and their escort or friend (Location will be in your registration packet).**

HOUSING: Room Rate is \$160.89 per night, which includes all taxes and fees. Reservations at this rate are good for the nights of September 15th through 20th and **must be made by August 22nd**. Reservations made after this date are not guaranteed at the special rate. Requests for an upgraded room type may be an additional cost. Free parking is included in the room rate. *Please give the hotel the names of everyone sharing the room when making your reservation. (4 guests maximum per room.) Note: All guests will be responsible for the safekeeping of their personal belongings.

To Make Reservations Direct by Phone: 303-321-3333 (press 2 for reservation department) Use group code: **ORD** and refer to the group name: 2025 Colorado Order of the Eastern Star Convention, when speaking to a reservation representative.

Online: <https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/rldv-dt-ord-411cbe54-add8-41c4-b731-af16cbdf12d2/> Please refer to the Hotel Information sheet for additional instructions regarding online reservations. (Hint: click on Book Room, click on Edit Stay and to finalize, click on Update)

Please make your reservation as soon as possible. Rooms at our special rate are based on availability of 2 double beds or 1 king bed. There is limited availability of rooms with one king bed. (When booking online, if it does not give you the option of a king room then they are sold out.)

Hilton Rewards: Personal Rewards points can be earned for your stay. If you would like to accumulate points for your stay, be prepared to give your Rewards Membership Number when reserving your room or at check-in.

If you use a Travel Agent to book your reservations, please make sure the agent tells them you are booking for attendance at the "2025 Colorado Order of the Eastern Star Convention" and uses our housing code "ORD". If they do not book under that code, then we will not receive information from the Hotel that you are attending our session, and we will not get the credit for your room.

PHOTOGRAPHS: We would like a photograph of each group to include in our proceedings. All Photos will be taken immediately after your group's introduction on Thursday morning.

And finally, the members of the Grand Chapter of Colorado are excited to greet each of you and have no doubt that you will thoroughly enjoy your visit to Colorado.

Please contact CherylAnn Craven-Lindblad, PGM for any questions.

Fraternally,

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