



Greetings Schuetzen Shooters;

Welcome to the upcoming ISSA International Schuetzenfest July 31 through August 4, 2017, at the beautiful Whittington Center, in Raton, New Mexico. This is another chance for us to get together for some camaraderie and spirited competition. We've had a year to practice and hone our shooting skills, so we should have some good scores!

We will no longer be awarding prizes for each event and will be awarding medals only up to the 5<sup>th</sup> place. The reason for the change is the difficulty of soliciting prize donations from the shooting industry. There will be a hired range officer, again this year, to make our matches run with more continuity. We will however, need line officers for each match. If you can volunteer to walk the line for an event that you are not competing in, that would be a great help.

I wish you all a safe trip to Raton, New Mexico, and look forward to seeing you all there!

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