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Scioto Lodge #6 Annual Inspection

January 5, 2013

Worshipful Brother Stephen J. Steele will be welcoming Brethren from across the Seventh Masonic District to the Chillicothe Masonic Temple for the annual inspection. The Worshipful Master and officers of the line will confer the Master Mason Degree upon one candidate, Brother Harold C. Ramsey Jr.

All Master Masons are invited to attend dinner which will be served at 6:15 pm. Lodge will open in the Master Mason Degree at 7:00 pm. Right Worshipful Brother Robert S. Jones will be the inspecting officer for the evening.

Service pins will be presented as follows. Please note 35 and 40 year pins have to be reserved.

25-year service pins

1. Worshipful Brother Michael A. Ash
2. Brother D. Douglas Grimes
3. Brother Philip W. Stevens

8. Brother Donald F. Morris
9. Brother Kenneth F. Nickell
10. Brother Cleo R. Walkup
11. Brother Larry P. Wills
12. Brother Samuel R. Wood

35-year* service pins:

1. Brother Delbert F. Bochard
2. Brother Thomas R. Castor
3. Brother Charles E. Dennis
4. Brother Paul E. Jones
5. Brother Donald Z. Malott
6. Brother David W. Miller
7. Brother Marvin R. Ramey
8. Brother Bruce A. Rinehart
9. Brother James D. Sowers
10. Brother Mark A. Steele

50-year service pins:

1. Loren F. Barnhart
2. Marvin J. Beach
3. Jack L. Calain
4. John H. Heidell
5. Walter R. Storts

60-year service pins:

1. David H. Acton
2. Andy G. Kostanden
3. George E. Sparks

65-year service pins:

1. Pascal P. Glenn
2. Leo Woods

*Note 35 and 40 year pins will **only** be presented on a reservation basis. Contact the Office of the Secretary to reserve your pin.

40-year* service pins:

1. Brother Paul J. Barnett
2. Brother Russell A. Bethel
3. Brother William J. Blankenship
4. Brother Ronald H. Harper
5. Brother Walter E. Hitch
6. Brother Keith E. Jacobs
7. Brother Vernon E. Knapp

January 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Scioto Lodge will not have a stated meeting	2	3	4	5 Scioto Lodge Annual Inspection M.M. ^o 6:15 Dinner
6 VA Bingo Bldg #9 1:00 pm	7	8 Chillicothe Chapter Stated Mtg. 7:30 pm	9 Chillicothe Chapter #419 Order of Eastern Star 7:30 pm	10	11	12 Seventh Masonic District Meeting 5:00 pm
13	14 Lunch at the Lodge 1:00 pm Euchre Afterward	15 Chillicothe Council Annual Inspection 7:30 pm	16	17 Scioto Lodge Stated Mtg. 7:30 pm	18	19
20	21	22 Chillicothe Commandery Stated Mtg. 7:30 pm	23 Chillicothe Chapter #419 Order of Eastern Star 7:30 pm	24 Ross County Shrine Club 7:30 pm	25	26
27	28 Lunch at the Lodge 1:00 pm Euchre Afterward	29	30	31	Feb 1	2 Grand Master's Reception (see article page 3)

Blue Lodge Inspections—Elsewhere

Orient Lodge #321—Entered Apprentice Degree

- January 11th...Mark Allman, Worshipful Master

Lucasville Lodge #465—Master Mason Degree

- January 12th...Robert D. Baker, Worshipful Master

Aurora Lodge #48—Fellow Craft Degree

- January 18th...Mark Ferreira, Worshipful Master

Highland Lodge #38—Entered Apprentice Degree

- January 19th...Daniel Bainum, Worshipful Master

Lynchburg Lodge #178—Fellow Craft

- January 25th...Trigg Pendleton, Worshipful Master

Seventh Masonic District Association

January 12, 2013—Lucasville, Ohio

The officers of the Seventh Masonic District Association will meet at 5:00 pm prior to the annual inspection of Lucasville Lodge #465.

May 18, 2013—Chillicothe, Ohio

Scioto Lodge #6 will host the Seventh Masonic District Association meeting beginning at 5:00 pm dinner with the meeting beginning at 6:00 pm.

September 21, 2013—Kingston, Ohio

Logan Elm Lodge #624 will host the annual meeting of the District Officers Association. It will be a breakfast meeting beginning at 9:00 am with the meeting at 10:00 am. All Master Masons are invited to attend

Chillicothe Chapter #4 R.A.M.

December 11, 2012

Representatives from Circleville Chapter #20, Hillsboro Chapter #40, Mt Vernon Chapter #23 in Portsmouth, LaGrange Chapter #68 in Ironton and Logan Chapter #75 in Logan, Ohio were in attendance at the Annual Inspection of Chillicothe Chapter #4 R.A.M.

Two candidates Brother John Koren, from Logan Chapter #75 and Brother Edward L. Colegrove, from LaGrange Chapter #75, received the Most Excellent Master Degree conferred by Excellent High Priest Michael L. Hines.

Right Excellent Companion R. Keith O'Dell, Grand Scribe was the Inspecting Officer for the evening. Right Excellent Companion Ryan W. Adams, District Deputy Grand High Priest of the Fifth Capitular District conducted the pre-inspection of the records of Companion William Bennett, Secretary and Excellent Companion John R. Ashton, Treasurer on Sunday afternoon December 9, 2012. Excellent Companion Matthew Schetter Inspector of the Sixth Arch, High Priest of Logan Chapter #75 was in attendance.

Thirty-one members and guests enjoyed a delicious dinner of lasagna, salad and dessert in the small dining room of the Chillicothe Masonic Temple.

Grand Master's Reception



Make your reservations now to attend the Grand Master's Reception Honoring Most Worshipful Brother James F. Easterling Jr, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of F. & A.M. of Ohio in Waverly, Ohio Friday 2, 2013.

The social hour will be at 6:30 pm and dinner served at 7:00 pm.

The reception will be held at the Grace United Methodist Church at 104 South High Street. (Picture insert)

Scioto Lodge #6 only has 10 tickets and are available on a first come basis. Tickets may be purchased at the Office of the Secretary until they are depleted. Tickets are \$30.00 per person.



Former Brethren of Scioto Lodge Invited

Over the years members of Scioto Lodge #6 F. & A. M. have for their own reasons elected to terminate their fraternal affiliation with the **Oldest Fraternal Organization** in the world. Additionally, many others began their Masonic journey with the conferral of the Entered Apprentice Degree only to discontinue exploring their fraternal trek. This invitation is to those whom you may know that fall under these two groupings and extend an invitation to contact any officer or member of the Scioto Lodge for information as to how either re-affiliate or resume their Masonic work. Contact information may be found on our website chillicothemasons.org

There are extra copies of **The Trestle Board** ante rooms of both Scioto Lodge and Chillicothe York Rite. You are welcome to share these with friends and family as there are no prohibitions to that end. They may also contact the Office of the Secretary at 740-774-3485

Chillicothe Council #4 R. & S.M.

January 15, 2013

Illustrious Master Michael K. Burchwell extends a courteous invitation to all Past Illustrious Masters of Chillicothe Council #4 R. & S.M. and other Companions to attend the annual inspection January 15, 2013. The inspection will be in the Royal Master Degree. Refreshments will be served prior to the inspection at 6:30 pm. Work will get underway at 7:30 pm. any one wishing to participate in the degree work or refreshment, props, cleanup, please contact me at 626-0169 or 649-9171. You may contact the Office of the Secretary 774-3485.

The following members will no longer be receiving telephone reminders because the numbers have been determined to be incorrect.

- Rick L. Harper
- William Martin
- Steve Noffke
- Fredrick J. Park
- Gerald W. Prater
- Michael C. Secoy

Note: To receive telephone updates on activities, meetings, and programs you may call the Office of the Secretary at 774-3485. If you do not want to receive reminders that too can be achieved by requesting your name be removed.

A telephone list for our Masonic Widows is being compiled please complete the form on page 7. If you know Masonic Widows who would like to be notified of banquets and events provide them with this form.

Chillicothe Commandery #8 K.T.

March 23, 2013

Eminent Commander David V. Medert invites all Sir Knight of Chillicothe Commandery #8 K.T. to attend the annual inspection Saturday, March 23, 2013. Several rehearsals have been held at Stated Conclaves focusing on Full Form Opening, Sword Manual and floor work for the event. The Annual Inspection will open at 2:00 pm followed by the Full Form Opening at 4:30 pm. Dinner will be served at 5:30 pm in the Moll dining room. The Ladies and families of Sir Knights may attend to witness the Full Form Opening. Ladies are invited to engage in refreshments in the fourth floor lounge after the opening.. Sir Knights who wish to volunteer on a pro tem basis are encouraged to contact the Eminent Commander.

ATTENTION to our Masonic Widows:

Please allow us to keep in touch with you. I am currently updating our database and would like your response. Please complete the form below and mail it to: **Office of the Secretary 57 East Main Street Chillicothe, Ohio 45601**

Name _____

Telephone # _____

Address _____

Email Address _____

Office of the Secretary: 740-774-3485

Seventh Masonic District VA Bingo for December

Thanks to the following representatives for their presence at the Seventh Masonic District VA Bingo for December 2012.

From **Bainbridge Lodge #196** R.W.B. Samuel Keith Johnson Sr. and W.B. Sam Skinner, Worshipful Master. From **Logan Elm Lodge #624** Brothers Tom Sommers, Larry Heshiser, Mick Carroll. R.W.B. Robert S. Jones and W.B. James Stevens, Worshipful Master. From **Scioto Lodge #6** Brothers James E. Smith, Neil A. Zizelman, Mike Hoffner, Worshipful Brother William Bennett and R.W.B. David V. Medert.

Other Representatives Lady Andrea Medert, Lady Vicki Smith and from **Orient Lodge #321** R.W.B. Robert K. Brown. **Frankfort Lodge #309** provided 3 cases of potato chips

but no representative were available to attend due to other commitments. There were 48 veterans in attendance. Additional refreshments had to be purchased because the attendance was greater than anticipated. Those lodges who are assigned to represent the district at these events and do not attend or provide refreshments which are served to the VA Campus veteran residents places a burden on the other lodges who must take up the slack. An additional purchase of refreshment items had to be purchased at an additional cost of \$65.00. This cost must be covered by the district. Please consider this as your lodge prepared to host the Bingo event on January 6th at 1:00 pm Remember Ladies and family members are encourage to attend.

Fraternally and Sincerely Worshipful Brother William Bennett,
VA Coordinator for the Seventh Masonic District Association

January York Rite Inspections

All inspection for the Fifth Capitular District have been completed. The following inspections for the Sixth Cryptic Arch will be held in January 2013

- Ohio Council #92 Ironton 1/5/13
- Chillicothe Council #4 1/15/13
- Solomon Council #79 Portsmouth—1/21/13

Matthew Schetter Inspector of the Sixth Arch

4th Division Grand Commandery Knights Templar have the following annual inspections scheduled:

- Logan Commandery #78 1/12/13
- New Lexington Commandery #57 1/19/13
- Jackson Commandery #53 1/26/13

Gerald G. Pugh Division Commander

R. Thomas Starr Deputy Division Commander

Focus on a Past Master—John W. Peters

Chillicothe, Ohio November 7, 1989

The annual election of officers for Scioto Lodge #6 F. & A. M. resulted in the Brethren electing Brother John W. Peters to the Office of Worshipful Master. The first meeting under the leadership of Worshipful Brother Peters was a special meeting at which Brother David L. Hammond and Brother Jeffrey A. Karshner were initiated as Entered Apprentices. Junior Warden Brother Ted Jones delivered the Lecture of the Degree and Junior Deacon Brother Clayton Stein gave the Charge of the Degree.

Some of the highlights of the year occurred at stated meetings as follows:

November 16th—A motion was passed to establish a credit account at Kroger for the convenience of the stewards to purchase supplies for refreshment without having to pay out of pocket expenses.

December 5th—The secretary informed the Brethren that the Bainbridge Fall Festival of Leaves awarded Scioto Lodge second place with the presentation of its float in the parade during that event. The committee awarded Scioto Lodge with a check in the amount of \$15.00. Brother Pete Cunningham moved the funds be returned to the Fall Festival of Leaves Committee since our participation was not intended to generate funds. Worshipful Brother Kenneth Endlich seconded the motion.

January 12, 1990—A committee which was appointed by the Worshipful Master to study average expenses for refreshments reported that over the past year the average outlay was \$18.70 (excluding major banquets). A motion was made to provide a cap of \$20.00 per meeting.

January 18th—The committee consisting of Worshipful Brother Harley Thomas, Brother John C. Wise and Brother Everett Sheets was charged with investigation the issue of drafting a By-Law change to increase annual dues from \$20.00 to \$30.00. Their study and final report was delivered to the Worshipful Master in April 1990.

February 6th—A committee was established to provide a Pizza Party for Special Olympians and their parents prior to the Summer Olympic Games to be held the last Friday in June 1990. The Ohio Masonic Home introduced a program to raise funds for the Endowment Fund. The program, called the "One Grand Club" enlisted Brethren to pledge \$1000.00 for support of the home. Worshipful Brother Harley Thomas was recognized as the first member to so pledge. A plaque containing the names of the following participants: Harley Thomas, James Derexson, Cecil S. Blair, Charles Lewis Rogers, James P. Rice, D. Harold Painter, William Bennett, Everett Glenn Sheets, Scioto Lodge #6, Lee M. Barnhart, Quentin W. Morgan and Vernon Betsch was hung behind the Junior Warden station.

April 3rd—The dues increase committee chairman, Brother John C. Wise presented the findings and recommend dues be increased to \$30.00 beginning with dues payable by the annual meeting in November 1991. This report was held over until the stated meeting June 5, 1990 when it was adopted by a vote of 25-2.

May 5th—The program to sell Special Olympics Sweat Shirts, lapel pins and certificate for \$30.00 with options to purchase a sweat shirt of \$18.00 and Lapel pins for \$5.00.

June 5th—Discussion on hosting a booth at the Ross County Fair for informational purposes. Ideas about inviting Logan Elm Lodge #624, Orient Lodge #321, Bainbridge Lodge #196, Frankfort Lodge #309 and Adepti Lodge 527 were developed.

September 4— The purchase of an air conditioner for the office with appropriate wiring to serve the until was approved. Brother Michael A. Ash shared with the Brethren that he was getting married on September 15, 1990.

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From Page 6 Statistics 1989-1990

Stated Meetings	20
Special Meetings	7
Total Membership 1989	728
Entered Apprentice	9
Fellow Craft	8
Master Mason	6
Deaths	14
Dimits	2
Suspension for Non-payment of Dues	17
Total Membership 1990	701

A redneck family are visiting a big city for the first time. The father and son are in the hotel lobby when they spot an elevator. "What's that Paw?" The boy asked. "I ain't never did see nothin' like that in my life" replied the father. Seconds later an old frail woman walks in the hotel door and hobbles to the elevator. She presses the button with her cane, waits for the doors to open and gets in. The father and son, still amazed by this contraption, continue to watch. They hear a ping noise and the doors open again. Out steps a beautiful 20 year old busty blonde. The father looks at his son and says "Go get your Maw !"

From the Desk of the Web Master

Hello. My name is Jason Day and I was recently contracted to design and launch a new website for the Chillicothe Masonic Bodies. This new website is located at www.ChillicotheMasons.org. On the site, you will find links to many areas regarding recent and future events, access to newsletters, a contact form, and many other things.

The main way to navigate the website will be through the menu at the top of the page. Here you will find links to Home, About (includes pages About Masonry and Officers), News (monthly newsletters), Events, Photos, and Contact (includes a Contact Form as well as a Member Survey). There is also a link to the monthly calendar on the center of the home page.

I am open to any suggestions that the members may have. If there is anything on the website that is confusing or hard to read, please let me know and I will work on correcting any issues that you may have. You can contact me at my e-mail: jayday9@yahoo.com.

I would like to thank the members of the Lodge for choosing me to develop your website. I hope it is beneficial to you all. Being able to have a respected client in my portfolio such as the Chillicothe Masons will definitely benefit me as I continue on with web development.

Thank you for reading,
Jason Day

Email Addresses Incorrect

Attempts to send emails resulted in the following email addresses containing issues had to be deleted. The return message indicated "invalid mailbox" or "no mailbox". If you recognize your email address please send an email to the Office of the Secretary/Recorder of the Chillicothe York Rite Bodies at cmb@chillicothemasons.org

- ww0315@dragonbbs.com
- bburns@bright.net
- rkbrown@roadrunner.net
- eagle143@roadrunner.net

Keep abreast of updates between meetings by having your email address on our database. William Bennett, Office of the Secretary/Recorder of the Chillicothe York Rite Bodies

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Merry Christmas to you and yours this holiday season

Slow Dance—This poem was written by a terminally ill young girl in a New York Hospital.

Have you ever watched kids on a merry-go-round? Or listened to the rain slapping on the ground? Ever followed a butterfly's erratic flight? Or gazed at the sun into the fading night? You better slow down. Don't dance so fast. Time is short. The music won't last.

Do you run through each day on the fly? When you ask How are you? Do you hear the reply? When the day is done do you lie in your bed with the next hundred chores running through your head? You'd better slow down, Don't dance so fast. Time is short. The music won't last.

Ever told your child. "We'll do it tomorrow"? And in your haste, not see his sorrow? Ever lost touch, let a good friendship die cause you never had time to call and say, ' Hi' You'd better slow down. Don't dance so fast. Time is short. The music won't last..

When you run so fast to get somewhere you miss half the fun of getting there. When you worry and hurry through your day, It is like an unopened gift....Thrown away. Life is not a race. Do take it slower. Hear the music before the song is over.

Submitted email from Worshipful Brother John W. Peters. (Excerpts)