



The Trestle Board

Focus on a Past Master W.B. Daniel Coates

Elected November 1, 1977, Worshipful Brother Daniel Coates began his term of office on an inauspicious occasion with a funeral service for Brother Forna Adam Duffy Sr. November 10, 1977. However his year would highlight a momentous event August 19, 1977.

December 6, 1977—Hosting Blood Mobile (12/9), Purchase a special apron for Lodge Education Officer, assigned refurbishing committee to investigate the repainting and repair of the lodge room.

January 6, 1978—Proposed a contribution of \$500 to Masonic Temple Association provided the Chillicothe York Rite Bodies would do so—Motion Failed

January 19, 1978—Stated meeting cancelled due to “Worst Blizzard in State’s History”

February 2, 1978—W.B. Coates announced the Seventh Masonic District Association voted to place an historical marker in Chillicothe. Scioto Lodge voted to contribute \$25 to the costs.

March 7, 1978—Motions were made to contribute \$50 to each Grand Lodge of Ohio Scholarship Fund; Great Seal Order of DeMolay and Rainbow Girls. Worshipful Brother Keith Bost was named chairman of the parade committee and construction of a float. Contributed \$50 to the Grand Lodge of F. & A.M. of Ohio Sponsor an Athlete Program (Special Olympics).

March 6, 1978—Secretary announced that the petty cash fund of \$50 was insufficient to operate from one meeting to the next. The refurbishing committee reported on estimates on repainting the lodge room were as follows: Bramell & Sons \$5,178.00; Gay & Chaffin \$4,860 and Don Dick \$2,200. Estimates on the replacement of the drapes were submitted by Laura Van Bibbs at \$1,917.90; J.C. Penney \$1,945.22 or, providing a better quality at \$2,499.33; and Ebenhack & Sons at \$1,147.00. The lodge approved awarding the bids on the lowest estimates.

April 15, 1978—W.B. Coates announced that Judge Gerald E. Radcliffe would be Initiated an Entered Apprentice at the Ohio Masonic Home in due form. A contribution of \$300 was made to the home.

April 20, 1978—The lodge move to refurbish the lobby by painting and repairing the walls and ceiling.

August 19, 1978—The Grand Lodge of F. & A.M. of Ohio convened at the Chillicothe Masonic Temple in the Blue Room for the rare occasion of making John H. Glenn a Master Mason on sight. Most Worshipful Grand Master Jerry C. Rasor addressed the Brethren indicating that the last time a person was made a Master Mason on sight was President William Howard Taft. This was in concert with the 170th Anniversary of the Grand Lodge of Ohio and the 175th Anniversary of the State of Ohio. The work was presided over by the officers of the Grand Lodge. (continued on page 8)

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October 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Scioto Lodge Stated Mtg. <i>Family Night</i> (see pg. 3)	3	4	5	6
7	8 Lunch at the Lodge 1:00 pm Euchre Afterward	9 Chillicothe Chapter Stated Mtg. 7:30 pm	10 Chillicothe Chapter #419 Order of Eastern Star 7:30 pm	11 Grand Chapter R.A. M. of Ohio October 10 & 11, 2012 Dayton, Ohio Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Ohio October 11—13, 2012 Sandusky, Ohio	12	13
14	15	16 Chillicothe Council Stated Mtg. 7:30 pm	17	18 Scioto Lodge Stated Mtg. 7:30 pm M.M. ^o Ralph W. Cyrus, P.M.	19 203rd Annual Communication of Grand Lodge of F. & A.M. of Ohio John S. Knight Center Akron, Ohio	20
21	22 Lunch at the Lodge 1:00 pm Euchre Afterward	23 Chillicothe Commandery Stated Mtg. 7:30 pm	24 Chillicothe Chapter #419 Order of Eastern Star 7:30 pm	25 Ross County Shrine Club Elections 7:30 pm	26	27 Ross County Shrine Club Halloween Parade & Open House
28	29	30	31	Nov. 1 Ross County Shrine Club Annual Spaghetti Dinner 11:00 am	Nov. 2	Nov. 3

Family Night at the Lodge

October 2, 2012

"Family Night at the Lodge"

Brethren of Scioto Lodge #6 are invited to bring their ladies and family members to

Dinner 6:15pm - Lodge opens at 7:30pm

A special invitation is extended to our **Masonic Widows** and their guests. The itinerary for the evening will open with an invocation by Chaplain Worshipful Brother Alvin E. DePugh at the 6:15 pm dinner in the Moll Dining Room on the fourth floor. Following a spaghetti and meatball dinner accompanied by a salad, rolls and drinks, the Brethren will retire to the lodge room for a brief business meeting. Refreshments will be available throughout the evening in the lounge area.

W.B. Joe D. Curtis and W.B. Gary W. Wheeler are coordinating programs for the evening which will include a scavenger hunt for the children. Euchre or other cards games will be held for interested adults. Tours of the building will be featured during the evening. Reservations are requested for dinner and may be made by calling the Office of the Secretary at 774-3485 or via email at sciotolodge6@horizonview.net. Reservations may be made until Monday, October 2, 2012.

Summary Reports from the Seventh Masonic District Association

September 1, 2012

Twenty-two Brethren and five Ladies, from 14 of the 17 lodges in the Seventh Masonic District, assembled on the grounds of the campus of the Chillicothe Veterans' Administration Hospital at the shelter located in front of building #35 for the annual **"PICNIC WITH THE VETS"**. Grilled hamburgers and hot dogs along with other picnic favorites were served to about 100 campus veteran residents and staffers. It is a community service which the district extends to our veterans who are located here in Chillicothe.

September 15, 2012

Logan Elm Lodge #624 hosted the annual Seventh Masonic District Association meeting in their dining room. A breakfast of sausage gravy and biscuits was served to lodge delegates prior to the business meeting. Elected were: W.B. Richard Riffett, President; W.B. William Stansberry, 1st VP; W.B. Greg Grant, 2nd VP; Brother Jason Throckmorton, Secretary/Treasurer. W.B. Greg Cottrill, Trustee (3-year term); W.B. Randy Campbell, 2-year term; R.W.B. Dan Downs (1-year term).

District Meetings—2013

January 19, 2013 Highland Lodge #38 **5:00 pm**

May 18, 2013 Scioto Lodge #6 **5:00 pm**

September 21, 2013 Logan Elm Lodge #624 **9:00 am**

By the numbers

2013 Inspection Schedule

Scioto Lodge #6	January 5th	M.M.°
Orient Lodge #321	January 11th	E.A.°
Lucasville Lodge #465	January 12th	M.M.°
Aurora Lodge #48	January 18th	F.C.°
Highland Lodge #38	January 19th	E.A.°
Lynchburg Lodge #178	January 25th	F.C.°
Bainbridge Lodge #196	February 1st	E.A.°
Manchester Lodge #317	February 8th	E.A.°
Rome Lodge #535	February 9th	F.C.°
Nauvoo Lodge #769	February 15th	F.C.°
Western Sun Lodge #91	February 16th	F.C.°
Winchester Lodge #236	February 22nd	E.A.°
Logan Elm Lodge #624	February 23rd	M.M.°
Frankfort Lodge #309	March 1st	F.C.°
Leesburg Lodge #78	March 2nd	M.M.°
Peebles Lodge #561	March 16th	M.M.°
West Union Lodge #43	March 22nd	F.C.°

Other Dates to Mark:

VA Bingo: Sunday, December 2, 2012 1:00 pm

VA Bingo: Sunday, January 6, 2013 1:00 pm

VA Bingo: Sunday July 7, 2013 1:00 pm

VA Bingo: Sunday August 4, 2013 1:00 pm

VA Picnic with the Vets Saturday, August 31, 2013

25, 35 and 40 year Service Awards

Scioto Lodge purchases 25-year service pins for presentation as a matter of practice. Brethren are advised of these pending awards. However, over a 19-year window, of 253 Brethren eligible to receive these awards, only 59 Brethren appeared in lodge to receive their award, that is 24%. Consequently the lodge only maintains a minimum inventory of twenty-five year pins for presentation based on member response to notification.

During the 2009-2010 Masonic year the Grand Lodge of F. & A.M. of Ohio began offering service awards for 35 and 40 years. For the 2012-2013 service awards under 50-years, based on the above participation percentage, of the 20 who will be eligible only 4 might appear for presentation at the annual inspection.

Discussion was held during the stated meeting Thursday, September 20, 2012 on the topic of these service pin presentations. A motion was made to purchase 5 each of the 35 and 40 year pins as an on-hand inventory. The awards would be presented by reservation of the attending Brother rather than purchase fifteen 35-year and five 40-year pins.

For this reason, the following service pin awards eligibilities which appeared in the September issue of **"The Trestle Board"** is being reprinted:

Twenty-five Year Awards:

Worshipful Brother Michael A. Ash (3/21/1988), Brother D. Douglas Grimes (3/23/1987) and Brother Philip W. Stevens (5/19/1988) are scheduled to receive their 25-year service pin.

Scioto Lodge will, if the motion passes as presented, only purchase the stipulated number of service pins.

Thirty-Five Year Awards

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

Forty Year Awards

1. Brother Paul J. Barnett
2. 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
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

Service pins will be presented at the annual inspection **Saturday, January 5, 2013**. Dinner will be served at 6:15 pm. Lodge will open at 7:30 pm in the Master Mason Degree. Recipients are herewith notified and should contact the Office of the Secretary at 740-774-3485 of their anticipated attendance.

Past Masters' Convocation

Orient Lodge #321 will host the December 1, 2012 Past Masters' Convocation with breakfast being served at 8:00 am. The Convocation will convene at 9:00 pm in the lodge room with Orient Lodge #321 opening a lodge of Master Masons. District Deputy Grand Master, Right Worshipful Brother K. Doug Akers, will preside in the East and direct the affairs of the meeting. Right Worshipful Brother Robert S. Jones and Right Worshipful Brother S. Keith Johnson will alternately present the Grand Master's program for the 2012-2013 Masonic Year. As is customary during the convocation, several of the Worshipful Masters-elect will be appointed to chairs for both opening and closing a lodge of Master Masons. The Convocation secretary, Brother Jason Throckmorton will read a set of minutes of a hypothetical stated meeting of a subordinate lodge containing a series of deliberate errors. The District Deputies Grand Master will call upon the Masters-elect to identify the errors as read in those minutes.

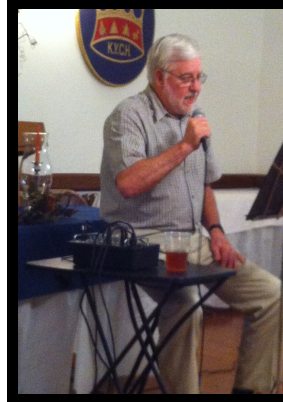
Ladies and Widows Night Banquet



The DePughs
Alvin, Matt and Jeff



The Chillicothe High
School String Ensemble



Mile Barrows
Gospel Singing Artist



Moll Dining Room
Ladies and Widows
Night Banquet

Friday, September 21, 2012: **Chillicothe Masonic Temple**

The Worshipful Master, Worshipful Brother Joe D. Curtis welcomed members and guests to the 2012 Ladies and Widows Night Banquet. During the social hour, seventy-three Brethren, their ladies and guests, including 13 of our Masonic Widows dined on Shrimp cocktail, homemade cheese balls, salad and fruit, assorted cheeses, cracker, pickle and olive plates while mingling with others in conversation while being entertained by the Chillicothe High School String Ensemble.

The main course of parmesan encrusted Tilapia, cheesy baked potato on the half and green bean casserole was served around 6:40 pm in the autumn themed decorated Moll Dining Room on the fourth floor of the Chillicothe Masonic Temple. Chaplain Worshipful Brother Alvin E. DePugh provided the invocation. Following dinner the Worshipful Master ask all the Masonic Widows to introduce themselves and as they did so, they were presented with a long stemmed rose with leather leaf fern as a token of esteem from the Chillicothe Masonic Bodies. The annual event is sponsored by Scioto Lodge #6 F. & A. M. and the Chillicothe York Rite Bodies. After dinner entertainment was provided by the String Ensemble. The vocal talents of Mr. Miles Barrows featuring a program of Gospel music was a welcome and well received by the attendees. The evening was deemed a success by those in attendance.

Endowed Membership

An Endowed Membership is provided for by the Masonic Code **[Section 29.06 (a) - (i)]**. Several benefits to the Endowment prevail: for any Ohio Mason through the Grand Lodge. While the \$800.00 initial fee may seem steep, several benefits

- Relief of any further dues payment for the life of the endowed member [after the 2nd year] and the Grand Lodge remits [pays] the dues amount back to the Lodge.
- When approved by the Lodge, potential for an installment plan to purchase the endowment and, most importantly:
- Upon the death of the Endowed Member, the Endowed Lodge will continue to receive income from the Endowed Membership.

Discussion regarding this topic is planned for our October Blue Lodge meetings.

Fraternally and Sincerely
Stephen J. Steele

Scioto Lodge #6 F. & A. M. Co-Sponsors Junior Fair Night

September 7, 2012

Thank you for helping out Junior Fair Night at the Ross County Fair.

Born in a Barn 4-H Club

Dianne Riddle Advisor

Members: Dustin, Jessica, Stephanie, Kyle, Addie, Susie, Heather, Lesley, Mikah, Ashley, Dianna, Miranda, Layne, Meeha, Kaitlyan, Sheryl.

September 4, 2012

Dear Members of Scioto Lodge #6:

In behalf of the members and advisor of the **Clarksburg Jolly Beef Feeders 4-H Club**, we want to thank you so much for being one of the sponsors that support Junior Fair Night at the Ross County Fair. The awards that our club received was cash, ribbons and shirts and our club was the winner of the Apple Pie Contest. Again thank you for supporting the 4-H Program.

Sincerely
Judith A Gary, Advisor

September 12, 2012

Scioto Lodge #6:

Our club, **Clever Clovers 4-H Club**, entered a pie in the Junior Fair Night Apple pie baking contest at the Ross County Fair. We were excited to place 3rd in the contest and that our pie sold for \$700.00 which helps support the Ross County 4-H Programs.

We would like to thank you for Co-Sponsoring the awards that all of the participants received that evening. Our club was awarded \$60.00 for our 3rd place pie. Again, thank you.

Sincerely
Callie Detillion
Emma Wood

September 10, 2012

Scioto Lodge #6:

On behalf of the Ross County Junior Fair Board, I would like to express our great appreciation for your outstanding support of the Ross County Junior Fair. Your co-sponsorship enables us to provide T-Shirts and award to the participants that make this event so special. We Thank you for supporting the youth and youth development programs of this county.

Sincerely
Sara T. Kleon
Extension Educator
4-H Youth Development for
Ross County Junior Fair Board

Brother Marvin J. Beach

September 4, 2012

Dear Brethren of Scioto Lodge #6,

Thank you so much for mentioning Brother Marvin J. Beach as far as fifty year Awards are concerned. He will not be able to attend the annual inspection for the award and, will sadly miss the annual inspection and the giving of the award. Marvin fell on our concrete porch on his back 9 months ago and has injured his spinal cord and has been diagnosed with heart failure. He is unable to walk and has swelling of his hand and feet and is on oxygen. In 2005, he had a pacemaker/defibrillator implanted and his health has slowly declined since then. He is now 74 years old and is now in a rehabilitation center. He has always been glad to be a Mason. I don't know if I'll have him this winter or not but am remaining hopeful. September 5, 2012 we will be married 53 years. I am writing also to tell you how much we both enjoy **"The Trestle Board"** publication and the humorous antidotes that appear in it. It is also nice to keep in touch with the Chillicothe Masonic Bodies and the news.

Sincerely

Nancy L Beach

Worshipful Brother James William Kitchen

September 13, 2012

Dear W.B. William Bennett,

Masonic Services were conducted for W.B. James William Kitchen on September 4, 2012 at Anderson McDaniel Funeral Home in Pomeroy, Ohio by Shade River Lodge #453.

The services were conducted by R.W.B. Thomas Karr. There were 14 Masons presents.

Fraternally,
Thomas N. Karr, Secretary

Members of Chillicothe Masonic Bodies and Masonic Widows

Please participate in this Survey

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Name: _____ **Phone Number: (H)** _____ **(Cell)** _____

Address: _____ **Email Address** _____

Do you received phone calls for meetings and special events? _____ Are you a military Veteran? _____

If so, have you supplied a military photo to the lodge collection? _____ If not, please consider doing so.

Of the following events check those you have attended in the past year.

<input type="checkbox"/> Ladies and Widows Banquet	Local Annual Inspections:	Notes: What would you like the Chillicothe Masonic Bodies to consider?:
<input type="checkbox"/> Chicken Noodle Dinner	<input type="checkbox"/> Scioto Lodge	
<input type="checkbox"/> Fish / Tenderloin Fry	<input type="checkbox"/> Chillicothe Chapter #4	
<input type="checkbox"/> Open Officer Installation	<input type="checkbox"/> Chillicothe Council #4	
<input type="checkbox"/> Lunch at the Lodge	<input type="checkbox"/> Chillicothe Commandery #8	
<input type="checkbox"/> Veterans' Night Banquet	District Events:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Top Scholars Banquet	<input type="checkbox"/> VA District Bingo	
<input type="checkbox"/> Annual Inspection	<input type="checkbox"/> VA District Picnic	
<input type="checkbox"/> Past Masters' Night	<input type="checkbox"/> Grand Master's Reception	

*A note of thanks from the
"Lunch at the Lodge" attendees*

Thank you for opening your "home" to all of us and for the wonderful meals and fellowship offered. Your hospitality is truly appreciated and has lifted many hearts and spirits. May your Lodge continue to be blessed with the warmth of caring members.

*Nancy, Eddie Hartley, Maribyn Richter Mahaffey,
Marjorie Prince, Billie Stauffer*

Paddy was in New York. He was patiently waiting and watching the traffic cop on a busy street crossing. The cop stopped the flow of traffic and shouted, 'Okay, pedestrians.' Then he'd allow the traffic to pass. He'd done this several times, and Paddy still stood on the sidewalk. After the cop had shouted, 'Pedestrians!' for the tenth time, Paddy went over to him and said, 'Is it not about time ye let the Catholics across?'

An Irish priest is driving down to New York and gets stopped for speeding in Connecticut. The state trooper smells alcohol on the priest's breath and then sees an empty wine bottle on the floor of the car. He says, 'Sir, have you been drinking?' 'Just water,' says the priest. The trooper says, 'Then why do I smell wine?' The priest looks at the bottle and says, 'Good Lord! He's done it again!'

Paddy was driving down the street in a sweat because he had an important meeting and couldn't find a parking place. Looking up to heaven he said, 'Lord take pity on me. If you find me a parking place I will go to Mass every Sunday for the rest of me life and give up me Irish Whiskey!' Miraculously, a parking place appeared. Paddy looked up again and said, 'Never mind, I found one.'

Gallagher opened the morning newspaper and was dumbfounded to read in the obituary column that he had died. He quickly phoned his best friend, Finney.

'Did you see the paper?' asked Gallagher. 'They say I died!!'

'Yes, I saw it!' replied Finney. 'Where are ye callin' from?'

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August 19, 1978—The Grand Master declared the lodge opened in an UNUSUAL FORM for making John H. Glenn a Master on Sight. The lodge of Entered Apprentice was opened by the Grand Master. Mr. Glenn was then Initiated and Entered Apprentice (no Lecture). The Grand Master then closed the Lodge of Entered Apprentice and opened a Lodge of Fellow Craft. Brother Glen received the obligation and charge of a Fellow Craft only. Lodge of Fellow Craft closed and a Lodge of Master Mason was opened. Brother Glenn was given the obligation of a Master Mason by the New Concord Lodge #688 (this is the lodge of which he will become a member). He was then seated in the East and a substitute candidate was given the second section by the Past Masters of Aladdin Temple Shrine. One of the Bibles on which Brother Glenn was obligated was presented to him. The other goes to the Grand Lodge of F. & A.M. of Ohio Library and Museum. Brother Glenn presented remarks after which the Grand Master declared the lodge closed.

September 5, 1978—Brother Gerald E. Radcliffe and Brother Richard Wardell presented a State of Ohio flag and flag stand to Scioto Lodge #6. Brother Radcliffe read a declaration stating the reason for the gift and the background of the Flag. [Presumably the flag flew over the statehouse in Columbus, Ohio]

October 3, 1978—Lodge voted to contribute \$25.00 to each the Scioto Society for use of the amphitheatre and to the Grand Lodge of Ohio Scholarship Fund.

October 19, 1978—Worshipful Brother Daniel Coates in attendance at the Grand Lodge of F. & A.M. of Ohio Annual Communication along with Brother Keith Bost, Senior Warden and Brother Fredrick Park, Junior Warden. Worshipful Brother John C. Hall presided.

Worshipful Brother Daniel Edward Coates was a member of the **Great Seal Chapter Order of DeMolay**. The Chapter received its charter September 12, 1967. Worshipful Brother Coates serve as Master Councilor of the chapter from July 1968—January 1969. Worshipful Brother Coates was Initiated an Entered Apprentice March 30, 1971; Passed to the Degree of Fellow Craft February 22, 1974 and Raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason March 25, 1974

Stats for the 1977-1978 Masonic Year for Scioto Lodge #6 F. & A. M.

Membership July 1977	862
Raised to Master Mason	19
Reinstatements	2
Deaths	23
Withdrawn	5
Suspended)Non-payment of Dues)	<u>6</u>
	849
Initiated	27
Passed	24
Raised	19

Focus on Past Master
is an ongoing article
highlighting the
Brethren who have
presided as a
Worshipful Master
Scioto Lodge #6
F. & A. M.

