



# The Trestle Board

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## Past Masters' Reunion (Past Masters' Night)

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William Bennett, Editor

### October 17, 2013

Traditionally a Past Master presides in the East during the annual observance of Past Masters' Night which, in former times, witnessed the return of a Past Master who had been out of the chair for at least 10 years. Events and circumstances have resulted in much less time for a return to the East for a former Master.

This year Worshipful Brother Joe D. Curtis will preside in the East after an absence of only two years. Worshipful Brother Curtis was elected to the Office of Worshipful Master November 1, 2011. His line officers at the time of his election were Brother Larry A. Eyre, Senior Warden; Worshipful Brother Stephen J. Steele, Junior Warden; Brother Neil A. Zizelman as Senior Deacon; Brother Mark I Cooper, Junior Deacon, Brother John W. Malone as Tyler and Right Worshipful Brother David V. Medert as Lodge Education Officer. These Brethren are invited to return to their chairs for the 2013 observance of Past Masters' Night.

Scioto Lodge #6 F. & A. M. has 29 living Past Masters all of whom are cordially invited to attend the meeting. It would be great to have a Past Masters' Reunion on this evening. If you have photos from your year as Worshipful Master please bring them to display for the evening. Unable to attend? You may hand deliver your photos or other material to the Office of the Secretary Monday—Friday from 10:00 am—2:00 pm.

When one looks around the building one sees photos of Fraternal Brethren of a bygone era, this is our history. Regrettably, recent history is incredibly lacking for the generations to come after we are gone. It would be wonderful to have photos taken of as many living Past Master as is possible on this auspicious evening.

## Veterans' Night Honors Banquet

### Friday, November 8, 2013

Reservations are now being accepted for the annual Veterans' Night Honors Banquet. Deadline is Wednesday, November 6th and may be called in to W.B. William E. Landrum at 773-4698 or to the Office of the Secretary at 774-3485. Invitations have been mailed to all Veteran Service Organization in the Ross County area. Social will begin at 6:00 pm with dinner to follow at 6:45. **A special invitation to our Widows appears on page 6 of this publication.**

# October 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<b>1</b> Scioto Lodge Stated Mtg.  7:30 pm	2	3	4	5
6	7	<b>8</b> Chillicothe Chapter Mtg.  7:30 pm	9	10	11	12
13	<b>14</b> Lunch at the Lodge  Euchre Afterward	<b>15</b> Chillicothe Council Mtg.  7:30 pm	16	<b>17</b> Scioto Lodge Stated Mtg.  7:30 pm	18	19
20	21	<b>22</b> Chillicothe Commandery Mtg.  7:30 pm	23	<b>24</b> Ross County Shrine Club Stated Mtg. 7:00 pm Annual ELECTIONS	25	<b>26</b> Halloween Parade & Open House Ross County Shrine Club Bellevue Ave
27	<b>28</b> Lunch at the Lodge  Euchre Afterward	29	30	<b>31</b>	<b>Changed to October 17th</b> <b>SHRINE CLUB</b> <b>Annual Spaghetti Dinner</b> <b>11:00—7:00</b>	

## Lunch at the Lodge

This event began in an effort to promote social interaction among the Brethren, Companions, Sir Knights of the Chillicothe Masonic Bodies, their ladies and our Masonic Widows.

Originally it was thought that the second and fourth Monday of each month would attract participants without over doing it. A review has been made as to the months this event should be hosted. Brother Dean Rinehart and I have discussed revisiting the schedule to host Lunch at the Lodge for only a 6-month period, specifically the months of October, November then January through April.

Participation levels have diminished particularly during the months of May through September.

Attendees and their guests who play Euchre follows the lunch when there are sufficient players. The event is not limited to people with a Masonic affiliation but extends to Masons and their guests.

## Seventh Masonic District Association Calendar Deadline

**September 27, 2013**

Deadline extension for selling ads for the **7th District** was set for October 20, 2013. If you have a business or just want to place an ad in the calendar call the Office of the Secretary at 774-3485 to make an appointment to place an ad. Bring your prepared material to the office along with your check in the amount necessary to reserve your space.

A sample calendar book is available for review at the office. The calendar is 4" X 7" with ad space and prices as follows:

- Full Page \$100.00
- 1/2 Page \$ 55.00
- 1/4 Page \$ 30.00

Twenty Brethren of Scioto Lodge #6 are at risk of Suspension for Non-Payment of Dues. Per Capita paid to Grand Lodge is \$15.35 for each Master Mason of record. Scioto Lodge will no longer carry a member beyond what is provided for in the Grand Lodge Code. If you have not paid your back and/or current dues before 12/31/13 you will be suspended and must apply for reinstatement. William Bennett. Secretary



**Chillicothe Gazette— September 17, 2013**

The Chillicothe Fire Department announced the promotion of four of its members. Among those promoted was Brother Evan M. Steele, Senior Deacon of Scioto Lodge #6. Brother Steel received his promotion to Lieutenant from Chief Jeff Creed who presented him with the promotion in the living area of Station #1.

The Chillicothe Fire Department is part of his family Brother Steele, a US Navy Veteran, follows in the footsteps of his uncle, grandfather and father, all of whom were Chillicothe firefighters. His move into leadership comes seven years after he joined the department. "This was one of my career goals," he said.

Brother Steele was Initiated an Entered Apprentice January 18, 2007, Passed to the Fellow Craft Degree April 1, 2008 and Raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason May 15, 2008. Masonry is also a family tradition with five members of the Steel family currently members of Scioto Lodge #6.

## Plan of Action and Milestone Committee 2013 Projects

Chairman Worshipful Brother William E. Landrum outlined the 2013 Project recommendations at the state meeting of Scioto Lodge #6 May 7, 2013. The list presented is as follows:

• Little League Team Sponsorship	\$500.00	• Hope Clinic	\$200.00
• Ross County Shrine Club Tabloid	\$200.00	• Boy Scouts of America	\$300.00
• Ross County Junior Fair Night	\$500.00	• American Cancer Society	\$50.00
• Grand Lodge Charitable Foundation	\$50.00	• Cumberland Chapter of DeMolay	\$50.00
• Grand Lodge Scholarship Foundation	\$50.00	• Harrison Township Fire Department	\$100.00
• Grand Lodge Model Student Program	\$50.00	• Flag Football Team Sponsorship	\$250.00
• Ohio Masonic Home Contribution	\$300.00	• Masonic Temple Association	\$5000.00
• High School After Prom Programs	\$300.00	• Scioto Lodge #6 Scholarship Fund	\$2000.00
• Good Samaritan Food Pantry	\$200.00		

Other allocations included funds for office expenses, Secretary and Treasurer allowances, and Grand Lodge expenses. Available funds are derived from interest and dividends from investments. The total expenditures for these projects totaled \$20,500.00 and not from the principle of the subject accounts.

### Annual Elections Scioto Lodge #6 F. & A. M. - From the Desk of the Worshipful Master



In anticipation of his election to the office of Worshipful Master I would like to announce an installation of officers for Friday evening, November 15, 2013. A reception will be held in the Moll Dining Room prior to the ceremonies at 6:00 pm. Right Worshipful Brother David V. Medert will be the Installing Officer, Worshipful Brother John R. Ashton will be the Installing Marshall, Worshipful Brother Michael A. Ash will serve as Installing Chaplain and Worshipful Brother Chad Simpson will serve as Installing Secretary. This is an open installation all Brethren are encouraged to bring their Ladies, families and friends. The Ceremonies of Installation will begin at 7:00 pm in the Red Room. Attire for officers-elect is formal. Any questions please call

Brother Neil A. Zizelman at 703-7932 or me 701.1622. *Stephen J. Steele*  
Worshipful Master

### Member Notes:

Brother Delbert Bochard organized the Mayor's Cup Golf Outing which was held at River's Edge Golf Course. The event was held August 17, 2013, \$6,100 was raised for the benefit of **Hope Clinic**. Eighty-three golfers and 26 hole sponsors made the event very successful for this most worthwhile project. Scioto Lodge #6 F. & A. M. included Hope Clinic in its 2013 Plan of Action and Milestone Committee Project Program

### How to Grow Pumpkins:

Farmer Smith was driving his tractor along the road with a trailer load of fertilizer. Alex a little boy of nine was playing ball in his yard; he saw the farmer and asked: 'What've you got in your trailer?' 'Manure,' farmer Smith replied. 'What are you going to do with it?' asked Alex. 'Put it on my pumpkins,' answered the farmer. Alex replied, 'You ought to come and eat with us, we put ice-cream on our pumpkin pie.'

# 7th District Inspection and Activities 2014

## January 2014

3rd Scioto Lodge #6 E.A.°  
 18th Aurora Lodge #48 M.M. °  
 23rd Lucasville Lodge #465 E.A.°  
 27th Orient Lodge #321 F.C.°  
 25th Peebles Lodge #561 M.M.°  
 31st Bainbridge Lodge #196 F.C.°

## February 2014

1st Logan Elm Lodge #624 E.A.°  
 6th Highland Lodge #38 F.C.°  
 8th Rome Lodge #535 M.M.°  
 15th Nauvoo Lodge #769 M.M.°  
 21st West Union Lodge #43 M.M.°  
 22nd Lynchburg Lodge #178 M.M.°  
 28th Winchester Lodge #236 F.C.°

## March 2014

1st Frankfort Lodge #309 M.M.°  
 15th Leesburg Lodge #78 E.A.°

22nd Manchester Lodge #317 F.C.° District Picnic begins at 11:00 am

29th Western Sun Lodge #91 M.M.°

## Special Events

### January 5th

Seventh Masonic District Bingo  
 Bld. #9 Veterans Administration  
 Hospital

### February 7th

Grand Master Reception  
 First Presbyterian Church  
 13 Mead Drive  
 Chillicothe, Ohio

### July 6th

Seventh Masonic District Bingo  
 Bld. #9 Veterans Administration  
 Hospital

### August 3rd

Seventh Masonic District Bingo  
 Bld. #9 Veterans Administration  
 Hospital

### August 30th

Picnic with the Vets 10:00 am for  
 Brethren of the Seventh Masonic

## December 7th

Seventh Masonic District Bingo  
 Bld. #9 Veterans Administration  
 Hospital

## District Meetings

January 18th—Aurora Lodge #48  
 4:00 pm (preceding their annual  
 inspection)

May 17th—Lucasville Lodge #465  
 Breakfast 7:30 am with meeting to  
 follow at 9:00 am

September 20th—Logan Elm Lodge  
 #624 Breakfast 9:00 am meeting to  
 follow at 10:00 pm

## 2013 Past Masters' Convocation

Orient Lodge #321 December 7,  
 2013 Breakfast at 8:00 am followed  
 by Convocation at 9:00 am

## 2014 Past Masters' Convocation

Orient Lodge #321 December 6,  
 2014 Breakfast at 8:00 am followed  
 by Convocation at 9:00 am

## *From the Desk of the Worshipful Master.*

Fall arrived September 21st and my year as your Worshipful Master is rapidly coming to its conclusion. November 1st 2013, our stated meeting and our annual elections, will retire my term as Worshipful Master into the annals of time and the archives of the Lodge. I wish to express my appreciation to the officers of the line and the many others who have been so generous with their time and instrumental in making my year as Worshipful Master so successful. Record attendance was experienced for the annual Top Scholars Banquet and Veterans' Night Honors Banquet. The Chicken Noodle Dinner for Special Olympics and the annual Fish Fry which funds Scioto Lodge #6 Scholarship Fund were both very successful. That was not an accident, it was you the Brethren who made this possible.

I would ask you to please, think about taking time out of your complex schedule to attend a stated meeting of YOUR Lodge. Make plans to support—by your participation and attendance at the many functions of Scioto Lodge. Reminisce about the times you sat in Lodge with many of the Brethren who are no longer with us. Multiply that by those with whom you have an opportunity become acquainted—however you have to attend Lodge to realize that experience. Give Thanks to the Supreme Architect of the Universe for his many Blessings.

*W.B. Stephen J. Steele*  
 Worshipful Master

## 2013 Projects High Light—Hope Clinic

**Hope Clinic of Ross County, Inc.**, is a free medical clinic located in Chillicothe, Ohio. The Clinic is open to walk-in patients every Monday evening. The existence of Hope Clinic is a result of people praying and working together as a body of Christ, to reach out to our community to those in need, both physically, spiritually, emotionally, and socially. Our desire is to bring basic, sound, quality medical care to those who would otherwise not have access to it in a loving, compassionate non-threatening way. Hope Clinic is staffed by licensed volunteers, physicians, nurses, and healthcare workers, along with lay people who feel called by God to help others in need.

**Scioto Lodge #6** contributed to this organization in its 2013 Plan of Action and Milestone Committee Projects.

## *An Invitation*

*To all Widows of the  
Chillicothe Masonic Bodies*

*You are invited to attend our annual  
Veterans ' Night Honors Banquet  
Friday Evening November 8, 2013  
hors d'oeuvres will be served during the so-  
cial hour at 6:00 pm Dinner will follow  
at 6:45 pm . Reservations are required  
by Wednesday, November 6, 2013*

"Unless you try to do something beyond what you have already mastered, you will never grow."

**Charles "Tremendous" Jones** · "When you dance, your purpose is not to get to a certain place on the floor. It's to enjoy each step along the way." **Wayne Dyer** · "You are doomed to make choices. This is life's greatest paradox." **Wayne Dyer** · "I believe through learning and application of what you learn, you can solve any problem, overcome any obstacle and achieve any goal that you can set for yourself." **Brian Tracy** · "If you wait until all the lights are "green" before you leave home, you'll never get started on your trip to the top." **Zig Ziglar** · "Every day you may make progress. Every step may be fruitful. Yet there will stretch out before you an ever-lengthening, ever-ascending, ever-improving path. You know you will never get to the end of the journey. But this, so far from discouraging, only adds to the joy and glory of the climb." **Sir Winston Churchill** · "A good scare is worth more to a man than good advice." **Edgar Watson Howe**

## 7th District Picnic with the Vets



**August 31, 2013**

Forty-eight members of the Seventh Masonic District and their ladies gathered on the ground of the Veterans Administration Hospital in Chillicothe to host the annual **Picnic with the Vets**. This event is held the last Saturday prior to Labor Day to host a picnic outing for on campus residents. Grilled hot dogs, hamburgers and the typical picnic fare are provided for the enjoyment of all participants

# The life and times—Masonry through Photos



Chillicothe  
Commandery #8 K.T.  
attended  
Easter Services at  
Trinity United  
Methodist Church in  
circa 1950's

Do you have photos  
stashed away which  
could further  
document the  
history of  
Chillicothe Masonry?

Email them to us  
[cmb@chillicothemasons.org](mailto:cmb@chillicothemasons.org)

Share your thoughts,  
comments, suggestions  
or other helpful  
information

## Contact information Special Event Updates

Keep the Office of the Secretary/Recorder of the Chillicothe Masonic Bodies informed as to your most current address. The Trestle Board, an official publication of the Chillicothe Masonic Bodies, is mailed via third class. If the address is incorrect, the publication is returned to the office at a cost of \$0.50 to \$1.14. When the newsletter is returned your name is automatically removed from the data base . You may communicate updates/changes by email or telephone. Call the office at 740-774-3485 or send an email to [cmb@chillicothemasons.org](mailto:cmb@chillicothemasons.org)

Since “**The Trestle Board**” is published once a month, events may arise between meetings of which you may wish to be notified. You can be kept up to date on special events, meeting schedules, and other activities by email.

A wife invited some people to dinner. At the table, she turned to their six-year-old daughter and said, 'Would you Like to say the blessing?' 'I wouldn't know what to say,' the girl replied. 'Just say what you hear Mommy say,' the wife answered. The daughter bowed her head and said, 'Lord, why on earth did I invite all these people to dinner?'

A father was at the beach with his children. When the four-year-old son ran up to him, Grabbed his hand, and led him to the shore where a seagull lay dead in the sand. 'Daddy, what happened to him?' the son asked. 'He died and went to Heaven,' the Dad replied. The boy thought a moment and then said, 'Did God throw him back down?'

A mother was preparing pancakes for her sons, Kevin 5, and Ryan 3. The boys began to argue over who would get the first pancake. Their mother saw the opportunity for a moral lesson. 'If Jesus were sitting here, He would say, 'Let my brother have the first pancake, I can wait.' Kevin turned to his younger brother and said, ' Ryan , you be Jesus !'

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**CAR KEYS**

Several days ago as I left a meeting at a hotel; I desperately gave myself a personal TSA pat down. I was looking for my keys. They were not in my pockets. A quick search in the meeting room revealed nothing. Suddenly I realized I must have left them in the car. Frantically, I headed for the parking lot. My husband has scolded me many times for leaving the keys in the ignition. My theory is the ignition is the best place not to lose them. His theory is that the car will be stolen. As I burst through the door, I came to a terrifying conclusion. His theory was right. The parking lot was empty. I immediately called the police. I gave them my location, I confessed that I had left my keys in the car, and that it had been stolen. Then I made the most difficult call of all, "Honey," I stammered; ( I always call him "honey" in times like these.) "I left my keys in the car and it's been stolen." There was a period of silence. I thought the call had been dropped, but then I heard his voice. "Are you kidding' me", he barked, "I dropped you off"!!! Now it was my time to be silent. Embarrassed, I said, "Well, come and get me." He retorted, "I will, as soon as I convince this cop I didn't steal your car." Yep, it's the golden years.....

**Short Stories for Halloween**

There was a couple in Scotland who had just moved into an old castle. It wasn't long before they decided to empty out the wine cellar. They found a large barrel of brandy. They tried moving it and even got a few friends to help, but they couldn't budge it. In the end, they decided to have a housewarming party and give glasses of brandy out to empty the barrel and make it easier to move. A few days after the party, they went into the cellar and tried to move the barrel again. It still wouldn't move. The husband got his saw in order to cut it into smaller pieces and they cut off the top of the barrel. Inside was a dead body and they had drunk the brandy that had preserved it.

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On an isolated road around midnight, in upstate NY, a man and his girlfriend are driving. Suddenly a car approaches them from behind. "Pull over!" he says. The man shrugs and turns on a dirt road. He gets out and talks to the man. "What is it, babe?" the girlfriend asks, but she gets no answer. She shrugged and continued to browse through the different radio stations. Then she heard a crash "Babe?" she said hesitantly. She ran out of the car and saw her boyfriend's head bouncing back and forth on the radio antennae. The back lights were smashed in. Screaming, she goes to get her cell phone out of the car. As soon as she opens the car door she hears, "No use. . . No one will answer you