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## Lodge Scholarship Program Riding High

The Top Scholars Program of Scioto Lodge #6 continues to ride high — thanks to the Brethren who volunteered and supported our annual Fish & Tenderloin Fry June 5, 2015 at the Lion's Shelter in Chillicothe's Yoctangee Park.

Preliminary figures show we will be able to fund three \$1,000 scholarships to top scholars from the area graduating classes of 2016! Proceeds from the Annual Fish/Tenderloin Fry held each year are allocated to funding the Scioto Lodge #6 Scholarship program. The Plan of Action and Milestone Committee allocates funds for one scholarship in its annual projects list.

"A lot of sweat goes into this particular lodge activity," said this year's Fish Fry chairman Michael L. Hines, "but it sure is worth it when you consider the beneficial effects we're having on the lives of the future leaders of our community." Hines reported to the lodge last June that Fish Fry profits were just over \$2,500.

Two of the 2015 scholarships went to sons of Masonic Brethren; Mr. Jared Dean Mitten of Zane Trace High School, who plans to use his scholarship funds at the Ohio State University's College of Computer Science. Jared's father is Brother David C. Mitten of Scioto #6. Jared sent his thanks to the lodge as did Evan McDonald of Logan Elm High School, who is the grandson of Worshipful Brother Everett Sheets. Evan will study psychology at Fairleigh Dickinson University in New Jersey.

The other scholarship recipient was Abby Perry, a graduate of Southeastern High School who was accepted at Shawnee State University.

Scioto 6 has scheduled its 2016 Fish & Tenderloin Fry for Friday June 3, 2016

## Deputy Grand Master's Rollout Program



R.W.B. Robert C. Rill Jr.

Worshipful Master Neil Zizelman will welcome Deputy Grand Master Robert C. Rill Jr. Tuesday, August 25, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.

Deputy Grand Master Rill has scheduled his rollout programs for the 2016 Masonic Year in eight separate locations including here in the Historic Seventh Masonic District at Scioto Lodge #6. Attire will be business casual with all officers and members of the Lodge are urged to attend.

Inasmuch as there are 17 Lodges in the five counties comprising the Seventh Masonic District, many guests will be anticipated for the evening. Brothers are reminded that their ladies are very welcome at this event. Light refreshments will be provided.

# September 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Scioto Lodge Stated Mtg. 7:30 p.m.	2	3	4	5 7th District Picnic with the VETS 11:00 am Bldg. #35
6	7 Euchre/Pool Monday 1:00 pm 4th Floor Lounge	8 Chillicothe Chapter #4 Stated Mtg. 7:30 p.m.	9 Chillicothe Chapter #419 Order of Eastern Star 7:30 pm	10	11 Ladies and Widows Night Banquet 6:00 pm Social 6:45 pm Dinner	12 6th & 7th Districts Outdoor Raising 10 a.m. Fort Salem
13	14	15 Chillicothe Council #4 Stated Mtg. 7:30 p.m.	16	17 Scioto Lodge Stated Mtg. 7:30 p.m.	18	19 Seventh Masonic District Annual Mtg. 9:00 am Logan Elm Lodge #624
20	21 Euchre/Pool Monday 1:00 pm 4th Floor Lounge	22 Chillicothe Commandery Stated Mtg. 7:30 pm	23 Chillicothe Chapter #419 Order of Eastern Star 7:30 pm	24 Ross County Shrine Club 7:00 p.m.	25	26
	28	29	30			

## Seventh Masonic District Association Events

**Saturday, September 5, 2015**

### Annual Picnic with the VETS

The annual **Picnic with the VETS** scheduled for the last Saturday prior to Labor Day will be held September 5th in the Shelter in front of Building #35 on the grounds of the Veterans Administration Hospital. Workers need to be on site at 10:00 am with the picnic beginning at 11:00 am.

The event usually hosts over 100 veteran campus residents. Some residents require assistance in moving from their dorm to the shelter.

R.W. B. Timothy D. Martin and Sam Sutherland provide hamburgers. R.W.B. Keith Johnson provides the hot dogs. R.W.B. Robert K. Brown supplies fresh onions and tomatoes for sandwich toppings. Scioto Lodge #6 provides hamburger and hot dog buns and hot dog sauce. Members of Western Sun Lodge #91 provide drinks. W.B. Gene Colburn of Nauvoo Lodge #769 brings baked beans.

**Saturday, September 19, 2015**

Logan Elm Lodge #624 will host the Annual Meeting of the Seventh Masonic District Association. Breakfast begins at 8:30 a.m. and the meeting begins at 9 a.m.

This meeting of the District Association is for the annual election of officer. Current Association Officers are:

W.B. Gregory M. Grant, President

Brother. Jerry Bullis, 1st VP

W.B. Doug Adkins, 2nd VP

W.B. Jason Throckmorton, Secretary/Treasurer

In addition to the elections, Senior Wardens from the 17 Lodges in the Seventh Masonic District will select dates for their annual inspection. Lodges from whom no representatives are in attendance usually have their dates assigned after all other Lodges make their selection.

## 6th & 7th Masonic District Joint Outdoor Raising

This outdoor raising and picnic lunch will be held Saturday, September 12, 2015 at Fort Salem in southwest Highland County. Fort Salem is an Indian Earthworks mound and is located at 4206 Certier Road, Lynchburg, Ohio. It is located near Pricetown off State Route 131. Degree work will begin at 10 a.m.

Food will be furnished and you are asked to bring a lawn chair and other brethren.

Both Districts are looking for brothers to fill the officer chairs and craft team for both sections of the work. If you are interested in filling a position, please contact either of the following:

**Worshipful Brother Greg Grant, 7th, [grant.gregory@gmail.com](mailto:grant.gregory@gmail.com) (937) 402-9575 cell**

**Worshipful Brother Christ Hunt, 6th, [cttlhunt71297@cinci.rr.com](mailto:cttlhunt71297@cinci.rr.com) (513) 724-0618**

### Notes from our Scholarship Recipients

Scioto Lodge #6.

"Out of all the honors and scholarships earned and given, this scholarship is most special," said Evan in a written note to the lodge. "Thank you for the time, consideration, food and money," he said. "Most of all, thank you for putting up with my grandpa for so long ;). Just kidding!"

***Evan McDonald***

Grandson of W.B. Everett Sheets

### Mark your Calendar

Senior Warden Brother Evan M. Steele, pending his becoming Worshipful Master-Elect at the annual meeting Tuesday, November 3, 2015 has indicated he plans to host

**A Christmas Social  
Sunday, December 13, 2015  
2:00 pm**

The social will feature a visit from Santa with refreshments. Please provide gifts for your children for Santa to distribute. No reservations are required.

## Service Award Lapel Pins (25,35 & 40 Year) by William Bennett

Every year the Grand Lodge sends me with a list of Brethren who qualify for service award pins.

Call the Office of the Secretary to reserve your service pin 740-774-3485.

Listed are Brethren who qualify under each category.

Office hours Mon, Tues. Thurs. Fri. 10:00 am—2:00 pm. Pins are not mailed except by request and payment of \$2.50 for postage and handling.

### Twenty-five Year Awards

1. **Allison**, Curtis D
2. **Campbell**, Raymond.
3. **Darby**, Donald E.
4. **DePugh**, Alvin E.
5. **DePugh**, Jeffrey C.
6. **Hammond**, David D.
7. **Karshner**, Jeffrey D.
8. **Krouse**, Thomas R.
9. **Oney**, Michael A.
10. **Oyer**, Harry J.
11. **Phillips**, Roger A.
12. **Price**, Dewey A.
13. **Price**, Scott S.

14. **Putnam**, Brian J.
15. **Rinehart**, Michael A. Jr.
16. **Smith**, Mark S.
17. **Stevens**, Rick A.

### Thirty-five Year Awards

1. **Baisden**, Jackie L.
2. **Cunningham**, Dorral W. Jr.
3. **DeCamp**, Gary R.
4. **Griffie**, Phillip W.
5. **Guston**, Thomas S.
6. **Jones**, Llewlyn M.
7. **Kern**, Kenneth R.
8. **Mick**, Garry A.
9. **Miller**, Ray E.
10. **Miller**, Roy A.
11. **Miller**, Walter H.
12. **Mossbarger**, Robert T.
13. **Palmer**, Terry L
14. **Shaw**, Robert A.
15. **Trego**, Ronald E.
16. **Uhrig**, Michael L.
17. **Vollmar**, Richard E.
18. **Waldron**, Danny M.
19. **Zindren**, Donald P. Sr.

### Forty Year Awards

1. **Burns**, Roy C.
2. **Clark**, Jack L.
3. **Conley**, Buddie M.
4. **Ellison**, Michael R.
5. **Francis**, Paul E.
6. **Frazier**, Joseph R.
7. **Hall**, Robert M.
8. **Henderson**, Ronald W.
9. **Madru**, Stephen A.
10. **Morgan**, Robert M.
11. **Park**, Fredrick J.
12. **Patterson**, Charles D.
13. **Ray**, Earl E.
14. **Remy**, Charles R.
15. **Riddle**, Henry M.
16. **Riley**, Joseph W.
17. **Scott**, Robert D.
18. **Sprouse**, John D.
19. **Strausbaugh**, Donald C.
20. **Wardell**, Richard A.
21. **West**, Charles R.
22. **Yates**, Kenneth H.

## 'OLD' IS WHEN...

Your friends compliment you on your new alligator shoes...And you're bare-foot!

A sexy babe or hunk catches your fancy ... And your pacemaker opens the garage door!

You don't care where your spouse goes...Just as long as you don't have to go along

You are cautioned to slow down by the doctor instead of by the police

'OLD' IS WHEN.....  
You are not sure these are jokes!

### O x y m O R O n S

1. Is it good if a vacuum really sucks?

2. Why is the third hand on the watch called the second hand?

3. If a word is misspelled in the dictionary, how would we ever know?

4. If Webster wrote the first dictionary, where did he find the words?

5. Why do we say something is out of whack? What is a whack?

6. Why does "slow down" and "slow up" mean the same thing?

## Masonic Bodies Seek to Retain All Active Members

All Chillicothe Masonic bodies want to retain their active members and are pursuing this goal with an eye on the watchwords of Masonry — Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth.

We're finishing up the mailing of membership cards for the York Rite, and if you have experienced any problems with dues cards, please let us know by calling the Secretary's Office at (740) 774-3485, or writing a note to the business office in the Masonic Temple, 57 East Main Street, Chillicothe, Ohio 45601 or via email at [cmb@chillicothemasons.org](mailto:cmb@chillicothemasons.org)

Did you know that under some circumstances, dues to the various bodies can be remitted (forgiven)? If a member has been a Mason for 50 years and is at least 80 years old, his dues can be remitted, but he must request this action from the secretary.

Also, if a brother is suffering ill health, financial insecurity or is hospitalized in a medical center or nursing home, we will work something out with that Brother if he will make us aware of his situation.

Perhaps now more than ever, the world needs the Light of Masonry to shine forth in the darkness. Stay with us Brethren and help keep that beacon lit! The office staff will do whatever it can to help you!

Presently 21 Brethren of Scioto Lodge #6 are in arrears five of which are subject to Suspension for Non-Payment of Dues. Unfortunately the numbers in the Chillicothe York Rite Bodies are not as good with 36 Companions in arrears, seven behind two years and three for three years. Mandated suspensions will occur December 31, 2015.

## Seventh Masonic District Bingo



A total of 31 Brethren and 9 of their Ladies from around the Seventh Masonic District participated in the July and August Bingo event held on the Campus of the Veterans Administration grounds in Building #9 in July and August.

Participation for the two months was excellent with 82 Veterans in the Auditorium and refreshments were provided to an additional 52 Veterans who were not able to get out of their quarters. Jamie Russell from the staff of Voluntary Services is always on hand to assist with other needs as they occur. All Brethren and their Ladies are welcome to attend—you do not have to be a Master Mason.

The last two Bingo events will take place Sunday, December 6, 2015 and January 3, 2016. Plan now to attend!!!!

### Record Updates by William Bennett

Twenty-six candidate/petitioners were transferred to the inactive list effective August 2, 2015. The Grand Lodge of Ohio carries "**Candidates in Progress**" even though most of them have not exhibited any interest in pursuing their Masonic work. When a candidate is inactive for two years or more without making any effort to return his work, does not make contact with the Office of the Secretary or his mentor/coach, then his petition is dismissed and his status reverts to "**Withdrawn**" on his Masonic Record. If anyone has a question, contact the Office of the Secretary at 774-3485.

### Membership Losses by William Bennett

**Scioto Lodge #6 F. & A. M.** lost 35 Brethren in the 2014-2015 Masonic Year—Twenty-three were called by the Grand Architect of the Universe and an additional eleven were lost because of Suspension for Non-Payment of Dues and one by demit.

Six Brethren are expected to be Suspended for Non-Payment of Dues on December 31, 2015 unless dues are brought up to date before then.

Dues notices for the 2016 Masonic year will be processed and mailed the week of October 5, 2015.



## Chillicothe Chapter 70-year Service Pins

Two Companions of Chillicothe Chapter #4 are eligible for 70 year service pins. Companion Howard Loel Brown of New Concord, Ohio and James E. Zickafoos of Chillicothe, Ohio. In home presentations are planned for them once the date has been confirmed.

Right Excellent Companion Dale Ray, Grand Secretary has been notified that these Companions are in good health. Companion Zickafoos suffered a fall but is recuperating at his Oneida Road home.

## Scioto Lodge Senior Awards

Brethren due to receive their Fifty, Sixty and Sixty-five year Senior Awards.

### 50 Year

1. **BUTCHERS**, Robert E.
2. **ERVIN**, Larry W.
3. **FLETCHER**, Jerry C.
4. **LANGLEY**, Robert G.
5. **LYONS**, David M.
6. **MEEKER**, John F.

### 60 Year

1. **BRADBURY**, Harold W.
2. **DUFFY**, Edward K.
3. **SPARKS**, Richard W.

### 65 Year

1. **HINKLE**, James E.

Presentation of Senior Awards may only be presented after the Grand Communication of the Grand Lodge which is to be held Friday, October 23rd and Saturday, October 24th.

Brethren may elect an in-home presentation if health issues prevent attending a lodge meeting.

Recipients will be mailed an invitation once the presentation date is scheduled.



**Euchre anyone**—Interest has been expressed regarding reviving Euchre playing. Widows, non-Masonic guests and Brethren who have free time in the afternoon on the first and third Monday who wish to attend

should contact the Office of the Secretary at 774-3485 or send an email to [cmb@chillicothemasons.org](mailto:cmb@chillicothemasons.org)

**Question:** What are the odds that you get dealt both Jacks of the same color, plus three other cards all of the same suit in the same color? The answer is 0.0047%

One of the projects of the 2015 Plan of Action and Milestone Committee was to refurbish the pool table. The cost of the now completed project was \$2,465.00. The fourth floor lounge is air conditioned for summer comfort.



The building is accessible Monday through Saturday 9:00 am to 7:00 pm. Elevator access to the 3rd and 4th floor is confined to those who have a digital pass code. Your personal code may be established with the building manager Stephen Steele.

## Are you a Snowbird?

Do you have a "Snowbird" address? If so please provide it to the Secretary and your "**Trestle Board**" will be mailed to you. If so, are there Brother Masons nearby with whom you would like to share the newsletter? If so multiple copies can be sent to you for distribution just let me know how many copies you need.

This is how Brother Henry Riddle shares information about his home lodge with fellow Masons at his retreat in Florida.

## Can you answer these Questions?

Here are some questions every Mason should be able to answer:

1. *Who are the Holy Saints John and what is their importance in Freemasonry?*
2. *What are the Three Great Lights of Masonry?*
3. *Is Freemasonry a religion?*

The answers to these questions are answered in the Basic Education Course for Entered Apprentices. Courses also include the Fellow Craft and Master Mason Degrees and are available to any Mason.

## Ladies & Widows Banquet Set For September 11, 2015

Scioto Lodge # 6 invites all Brethren and their ladies and guests to the Ladies & Widows Banquet, Friday, September 11, 2015. A social hour is set for 6 p.m. and dinner at 6:45 p.m. All widows of deceased Brethren are invited to participate in this event. If any widow is in need of transportation or if a Masonic widow is confined to a nursing home and needs some sort of assistance, either for this event or in general, please advise the secretary's office. We can be reached at (740) 774-3485.

The Masonic Temple is 57 East Main Street our e-mail address is [cmb@chillicothemasons.org](mailto:cmb@chillicothemasons.org).

***There is no cost for the dinner—***

***Reservations are required no later  
than September 8th.***

*Social Hour will feature appetizers*

### *Menu*

*Garden Salad*

*Sirloin Roast of Beef*

*Pan Roasted New Potatoes*

*Green Beans*

*Coffee, Tea, Lemonade*

### ***Did you know?—Pledge for Allegiance—Official versions (changes in bold italics)***

#### **1892**

"I pledge allegiance to my flag and the republic for which it stands: one nation indivisible with liberty and justice for all."

#### **1892 to 1923**

"I pledge allegiance to my flag and ***to*** the republic for which it stands: one nation indivisible with liberty and justice for all."

#### **1923 to 1924**

"I pledge allegiance to ***the*** flag ***of the United States*** and to the republic for which it stands: one nation indivisible with liberty and justice for all."

#### **1924 to 1954**

"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States ***of America***, and to the republic for which it stands; one nation indivisible with liberty and justice for all."

#### **1954 to Present**

"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America , and to the republic for which it stands, one nation ***under God***, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

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**Ladies Night  
Banquet  
Sept 11th  
(see Calendar)**

The Lighter Side—Letter sent to Mrs. Pallone A rerun but amusing!

**Mr. And Mrs. Pallone are re-tired. Mrs. Pallone insists that he go with her to Wal-Mart. He gets bored with all the shopping. He prefers to get in and get out, but Mrs. Pallone loves to browse.**

**Dear Mrs. Pallone,**

Over the past six months, your husband has been causing quite a commotion in our store.. We cannot tolerate this behavior and may ban both of you from our stores. We have documented all incidents on our video surveillance equipment. All complaints against Mr. Pallone are listed below. Things Mr. Pallone has done while his spouse was shopping in Wal-Mart:

**1.** June 15: Took 24 boxes of condoms and randomly put them in people's carts when they weren't looking.

**2.** July 2: Set all the alarm clocks in House wares to go off at 5-minute intervals.

**3.** July 7: Made a trail of tomato juice on the floor leading to the restrooms.

**4.** July 19: Walked up to an employee and told her in an official tone, 'Code 3' in house wares. And watched what happened.

**5.** Aug 4: Went to the Service Desk and asked to put a bag of M&M's on layaway.

**6.** Sept 14: Moved a 'CAUTION - WET FLOOR' sign to a carpeted area.

**7.** Sept 15: Set up a tent in the camping department and told other shoppers he'd invite them in if they'll bring pillows from the bedding department.

**8.** Sept 23: When a clerk asks if they can help him, he begins to cry and asks, 'Why can't you people just leave me alone?'

**9.** Oct 4: Looked right into the security camera; used it as a mirror, and picked his nose.

**10.** Nov 10: While handling guns in the hunting department, asked the clerk if he knows where to find the anti-depressants.

**11.** Dec 3: Darted around the store suspiciously loudly humming the Mission Impossible" theme.

**12.** Dec 6: In the auto department, practiced his "Madonna look" using different size funnels.

**13.** Dec 18: Hid in a clothing rack and when people browse through, and yelled "PICK ME!" "PICK ME!"

**14.** Dec 21: When an announcement came over the loud speaker, he assumes the fetal position and screams "NO! NO! It's those voices again!!!!"

**And last, but not least ..**

**15.** Dec 23: Went into a fitting room, shut the door waited awhile, then yelled very loudly, "Hey, There's no toilet paper in here!"