



The Trestle Board

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“Is There No Help for the Widows Son?”

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Scioto Lodge #6

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Chillicothe Chapter #4

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Illustrious Master
Chillicothe Council #4
Royal and Select
Masons

Howard E. Leach
Eminent Commander
Chillicothe
Commandery #8

To whom in Masonry are these words unfamiliar? I would venture to say VERY few, if any, have forgotten those immortal words. Now, having tossed out that ominous phrase what are we to do? The very word “Ominous” gives the impression that something bad or unpleasant is going to happen; something threatening; or inauspicious.

Observe the use of the word, **There were ominous dark clouds gathering overhead!** Other synonyms are threatening, menacing, baleful, forbidding, sinister, inauspicious, unpropitious, unfavorable, unpromising, portentous, foreboding, fateful, premonitory, black, dark, gloomy, direful. It could be said such terms could be an impending descriptor regarding York Rite Bodies wherever they exist,

Chillicothe York Rite Bodies are facing many, virtually insurmountable, odds and are stressing over the lack of support, not only in attendance but Companions of both Chapter and Council, Sir Knight of Chillicothe Commandery #8 to assume leadership roles within the bodies. Those who have gone before have paid there just and rightful duty to the Craft. While having done that, there remains a real need to enlist the support from Past High Priests, Past Illustrious Masters and Past Eminent Commanders to think outside the box to elicit ideals to sustain the Chillicothe York Rite Bodies over the course of the next several years.

Fraternally and Sincerely, William Bennett Secretary/Recorder

Chillicothe York Rite Bodies Annual Elections

Chillicothe Chapter #4	Chillicothe Council #4	Chillicothe Commandery #8
Stated Convocation	Stated Assembly	Stated Conclave
Tuesday, May 8, 2018	Tuesday, May 15, 2018	Tuesday, June, 26, 2018
Annual election of	Annual Election of	Annual Election of
Officers	Officers	Officers
7:30 pm	7:30 pm	7:30 pm

May 2018

Sun**Mon****Tue****Wed****Thu****Fri****Sat**

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Scioto Lodge
#6 Stated Mtg.
7:30 pm

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Chillicothe
Chapter #4
Stated Mtg.
7:30 pm

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Chillicothe
Chapter #419
Order of
Eastern Star

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Chillicothe
Council #4
7:30 pm

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Scioto Lodge
#6 Stated Mtg.
7:30 pm

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19
Seventh
Masonic
District
Meeting
8:00 am

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21
Top Scholars
Banquet
6:00 pm

22
Chillicothe
Commandery
#8
6:00 pm

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Chillicothe
Chapter #419
Order of
Eastern Star

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Ross County
Shrine Club
7:00 pm

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Fish/
Tenderloin
Fry
11:00 am
6:00 pm

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2018 Annual Fish & Tenderloin Fry



Junior Warden, Brother Thomas R. Castor is chairman for the 2018 event which will be held in Yoctangee Park at the Lions Shelter. Two tickets for the event will be mail the second week in May to all Brethren of Scioto Lodge #6. They are eight (\$8.00) dollars each, the proceeds benefit the Scioto Lodge #6 Scholarship Fund.

Brother Caster is seeking as many Brethren as possible to assist in this endeavor to make it a huge success. There is a sign up sheet on the registration table where the Brethren may sign up for specific shifts of 10:00 am to 2:00 pm or 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm. If you want there are placed for service in set up and tear down which are both very important tasks that require lots of man power. Brethren may call the Office of the Secretary to have their name added to the list of volunteers.

Top Scholars Banquet

The Scioto Lodge #6 Scholarship Committee lead by Worshipful Brother Dan Riddle, made up of Brother Bryon Keith Greene, Worshipful Brother William Landrum, Brother Kyle W. Henderson, Worshipful Brother Michael L. Hines

From thirty-two applications submitted the committee selected the following to received the 2018 scholarship from Scioto Lodge #6 Free and Accepted Masons of Ohio

1. Ms Sydney M. Crawford, a Senior from Huntington High School who is graduating first in her class of 73 students with a 3.977 grade point average, she achieve a score of 25 on her ACT which is a standardized test used for college admissions in the United States.
2. Mr. Matthew Ryan Skeens, a Senior at Southeastern High School was selected and place first in his class of 98 students with an ACT of 32.
3. Mr. James Michael Bell, a Senior at Zane Trace High School ranked fourth in his class of 105 students and had a 26 on his ACT.

These scholarship recipients will be honored along with all Top Scholars from all Ross County Schools at a special banquet Monday, May 21, 2018 at 6:00 pm. Worshipful Brother Dan Riddle will serve as Master of Ceremonies and will assist Worshipful Master Harold C. Ramsey Jr. with the presentation of special gifts for each of the Top Scholars and Certificates of Scholarship Award and gifts for those award recipients.

Reservations are required for attendance so adequate preparations may be made to assure adequate. The Chillicothe High School String Ensemble has been engaged to perform during the social and dinner. They will be our guests for dinner they add a full measure of atmosphere to the event.

Shoes 4 VETS

by William Bennett. Seventh Masonic District Representative



Seventh Masonic District Lodge donate funds for Shoes4Vets to Veterans' Administration Hospital

CHILLICOTHE – Lodges in the Seventh Masonic District are donating more than \$5,000 worth of shoes—more than 300 pair-- for Veterans in need and presented them April 7th at the Chillicothe campus of the Veterans Administration Hospital.

The Seventh Masonic District includes Ross, Pike, Highland, Scioto and Brown Counties.

William Bennett, Seventh Masonic District Veterans'

Pictured left to Right W.B. William Bennett, VA Rep, Gerardo Navarro, Director of Volunteer Services, Ms. Jamie Russell, Volunteer Services Staff, R.W.B. Gary Cox, Grand Lodge State of Ohio VA Representative, R.W.B. R. Joseph Shilling, Seventh Masonic District Advisor

Administration Hospital Representative led this campaign.

“The veterans being served by the Chillicothe VA Hospital are very much on the minds of the Masonic brethren of the Seventh District, many of whom are veterans themselves,” said Bennett.

“This effort got underway after volunteers at the VA told us about some veterans coming in looking for shoes,” he said. “One veteran was wearing shoes already, but they were held together with duct tape. That’s when members of our district lodges decided to do something to help those who served but may need help now.”

VA officials thanked Seventh District officials profusely and told them the shoes will be appreciated by veterans in the 10 counties the Chillicothe installation serves.

The Seventh District also sponsors Sunday bingo games at the Chillicothe VA hospital four times a year (first Sunday in July, August, December and January, The district hosts an annual picnic the last Saturday before Labor Day (Saturday. September 1, 2018 at 11:00 am).

This article was written by Brother Thomas R. Castor, Scioto Lodge Publicity Chairman

Chillicothe Masonic Temple in Pictures



Scioto Lodge #6

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Annual Inspection



- Sir Knight David Snyder & his Lady on the left
- Sir Knight David V. Medert, Prelate (center)
- Sir Knight Howard E. Leach and his Lady Tomi

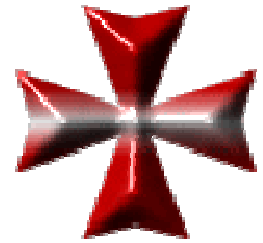
Presentation of an Appreciation Plaque to R.W.B. James R. Derexson and Brother Chester L. Collins. These two Brethren are members of Scioto Lodge #6 and are the last two surviving WWII Vets of the Normandy Invasion June 6, 1944

Order of the Temple to be Conferred



Chillicothe Commandery #8 will be conferring the Order of the Temple at the Stated Conclave Tuesday, May 22, 2018. Tentatively there will be three Knight of the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross in waiting to be knighted.

The Eminent Commander has called a special convening at 6:00 pm. The presence of all Sir Knights is requested



"The order, which was among the wealthiest and most powerful, became a favored charity throughout Christendom and grew rapidly in membership and power. They were prominent in Christian Finance. Templar Knights, in their distinctive white mantles with a red cross, were among the most skilled fighting units of the Crusades. Non-combatant members of the order, who formed as much as 90% of the order's members, managed a large economic infrastructure throughout Christendom, developing innovative financial techniques that were an early form of banking, building its own network of nearly 1,000 Commanderies and fortifications across Europe and the Holy Land, and arguably forming the world's first Multinational corporation.



Eminent Commander Howard E. Leach has made a special appeal for all Sir Knight of Chillicothe Commandery #8 to report for duty.



Scottish Rite Valley of Columbus Annual Ross/Pike County dinner was held Friday, April 20, 2018. Honored was Mr. Charles R. Doss. Mr. Doss has assisted in disaster relief through the Southern Baptist organization. His efforts were felt in Louisiana after Hurricane Isaac, in New York following Hurricane Sandy, in Colorado after wild fires and mud slides. Other locations where he has administered assistance include, West Virginia, Wyoming and Kentucky volunteering with youth groups. Not all of his ministrations were disaster related, he worked with Wycliffe Bible Translators in Wisconsin building a Boys Home there!

Mr. Doss became a leader with this organization, forming teams directing and managing them.

Pictured are W.B. Michael L. Hines, Mr. Doss and W.B. William Landrum

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What Lies Ahead

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| • July 1, 2018 | Seventh Masonic District Veterans' Bingo Event |
| • August 5, 2018 | Seventh Masonic District Veterans' Bingo Event |
| • August 7, 2018 | Ross County Junior Fair Night Sponsored by Scioto Lodge #6 |
| • September 1, 2018 | Picnic with the Vets 11:00 am Building #9 |
| • September 4, 2018 | Scioto Lodge #6 Stated Meeting |
| • September 11, 2018 | Chillicothe Chapter #4 R.A.M. Stated Convocation |
| • September 18, 2018 | Chillicothe Council #4 Royal and Select Masons Stated Assembly |
| • September 20, 2018 | Scioto Lodge #6 Stated meeting |
| • September 25, 2018 | Chillicothe Commandery #8 Stated Conclave |
| • October | Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Ohio Annual Meeting |
| • | Grand Council of Ohio R. & S.M. Annual Meeting |
| • | Grand Commandery Knight Templar of Ohio Annual Meeting |
| • October 2, 2018 | Scioto Lodge #6 Stated meeting |
| • October 9, 2018 | Chillicothe Chapter #4 R.A.M. Stated Convocation |
| • October 16, 2018 | Chillicothe Council #4 Royal and Select Masons Stated Assembly |
| • October 18, 2018 | Scioto Lodge #6 Stated Meeting Past Master Night |
| • October 19, 2018 | Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Ohio Annual Meeting |
| • October 23, 2018 | Chillicothe Commandery #8 Stated Conclave |
| • November 16, 2018 | Scioto Lodge #6 Annual Election of Officers |
| • December 2, 2018 | Seventh Masonic District Veterans' Bingo Event |
| • January 1, 2019 | First Stated Meeting of Scioto Lodge #6 of the year |
| • January 6, 2019 | Seventh Masonic District Veterans' Bingo Event |

Plan ahead to become an active Brother, Companion and Sir Knight among the Fraternity