



The Trestle Board

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Top Events for May, June

Monday, May 20, 2019

Scioto Lodge #6 will host its 20th Annual **Top Scholars Banquet** and Scholarship Presentation Monday, May 20, 2019. A social will begin at 6:00 pm with dinner following at 6:45 pm. The One Thousand dollar Scholarships began with 2 each year. In 2018 three scholarships were awarded the recipients were Mr. James Michael Bell Jr. for studies at The Ohio State University. Mr. Matthew Ryan Skeens for studies at the Ohio University and Ms. Sydney M. Crawford for her studies at Shawnee State University

Friday, June 14, 2019

Our annual Fish/Tenderloin Fry will be held the second Friday in June to raise funds for the Scioto Lodge #6 Scholarship Fund. Brother James F. Schafer, Junior Warden is the chairman for the event.

Sunday June 8, 2019

Ohio Masonic Home Day begins at 1:00 pm on the grounds of the Home at 3 Masonic Drive Springfield, Ohio. The Ohio Masonic Home serves as the trusted partner to help people age respectfully, giving seniors the option to remain independent while enjoying an active lifestyle. It was founded over 125 years ago by the Grand Lodge, the York Rite, and the Scottish Rite. Today it operates as an independent corporation with representatives of these Masonic organizations sitting on its board.

Election for Chillicothe York Rite Bodies:

- Chillicothe Chapter #4 R.A.M. 7:30 pm Tuesday, May 14, 2019
- Chillicothe Council #4 Royal and Select Masons 7:30 pm Tuesday May 14, 2019
- Chillicothe Commandery #8 Tuesday, June 25, 2019 7:30 pm

Companions and Sir Knights are encouraged to step up to leadership roles in each of these three Chillicothe York Rite Bodies.

May 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7 Scioto Lodge #6 Stated Mtg. 7:30 pm	8 Chillicothe Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star Chapter	9	10	11
12	13	14 Chillicothe Chapter #4 Chillicothe Council #4	15	16 Scioto Lodge #6 Stated Mtg. 7:30 pm	17	18 Seventh Masonic District Mtg
19	20 Top Scholars Banquet 6:00 pm	21	22 Chillicothe Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star Chapter	23 Ross County Shrine Club	24	25 Special Mtg. Chillicothe Council #4
26	27	28 Chillicothe Commandery #8	29	30	31	

June 2019

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Seventh Masonic District Association Meeting



Michael L. Hines President of the Seventh Masonic District will call the meeting to order Saturday May 18, 2019. The meeting will open at 9:00 am at Scioto Lodge #6.

The nominating committee will be charged with creating a slate of officers which will be voted on at the annual meeting Saturday, September 21, 2019

These district meetings are open to all Masons in the district and who are earnestly solicited to attend. Meetings are held on the third Saturday in January, May, and September.

A continental breakfast will be available at 8:00 am.

Seventh Masonic District VA Representative

Worshipful Brother William Bennett announced the District Calendar include events at the Veterans' Administration Hospital.

Seventh Masonic District Veterans' Bingo Events and Picnic with the VETS are scheduled:

2019

- Sunday, July 7th
- Sunday, August 4th
- Picnic with the VETS Saturday, August 31st
- Sunday, December 1st

2020

- Sunday, January 5th

Special Meeting Chillicothe Council #4 Royal and Select Masons

The Illustrious Master of Chillicothe Council #4 Royal and Select Masons has called a special meeting Saturday, May 25, 2019 for the conferral of the Royal Master Degree and Select Master Degree . A continental breakfast will be served beginning at 8:15 am. Work in the Royal Master Degree will be held in the Blue Room at 9:00 am. The Select Master Degree will be conferred in the Red Room immediately following. An email was sent to all officer and members for whom we have an email address.

Companion Brice Deval Sparks, a member of Chillicothe Chapter #4 R.A.M. and Chillicothe Commandery #8 will be the candidate in both degree. Should any Blue Lodge have any Chapter Companions who would like to participate in the Council Degrees please notify the Office of the Recorder at 740-774-3485.

2019 Chicken Noodle Dinner



Senior Warden, Brother Thomas R. Castor and chairman of the 2019 Chicken Noodle Dinner, submitted his report on income and expenses related to the event.

The proceeds from the dinner are shared between the Grand Lodge of Ohio, Pioneer School Special Olympics and the Ross County Public Schools Special Olympics. In 2018 \$1,880.46 profits resulted in each entity receiving \$626.82. This year \$2,095.93 in profits will give each \$698.64, a \$71.82 increase. Brother Castor extends his appreciation to everyone who gave of their time and energy to support this most important event,

Ohio Masonic Home Day



Sunday, June 9, 2019 many Brethren of the Grand Lodge of Ohio from around the state will converge on the Ohio Masonic Home in Springfield, Ohio in observance of this special day.

On October 19, 1892, a long parade of Masons from all over Ohio, and visiting fellows from abroad, marched the several mile from downtown Springfield for the Cornerstone laying of a "castle" on a hill west of town. Over time, the programs and services provided by the Ohio Masonic Home have transitioned to meet the current needs of society. Initially is provided a home for widows and orphans in a time of great distress following the Civil War.

In later years a hospital was built at the Home to care for those who were physically disabled and financially distressed. Eventually the facility became a nursing home and then a senior living community. Today the company not only provides senior housing and care at the three communities across the State of Ohio but also has evolved into an aging services company partnering with people where they want and how they want, doing whatever they aspire to do.

Historical information from the Ohio Masonic Home website

Dues Remitted Request

Delinquent Dues Notices

From the Office of the Secretary:

- If you are a Fifty (50) year Mason and are Eighty (80) years of age
- If you are financially hard shipped
- If health issues and fiscally unable to maintain your membership status

Please contact the Office of the Secretary in writing or by email requesting that your dues be remitted. This request will be brought before the Lodge at a regularly stated meeting for consideration.

It is not the role of the Lodge to inflict additional difficulties upon a worthy distressed Master Mason.

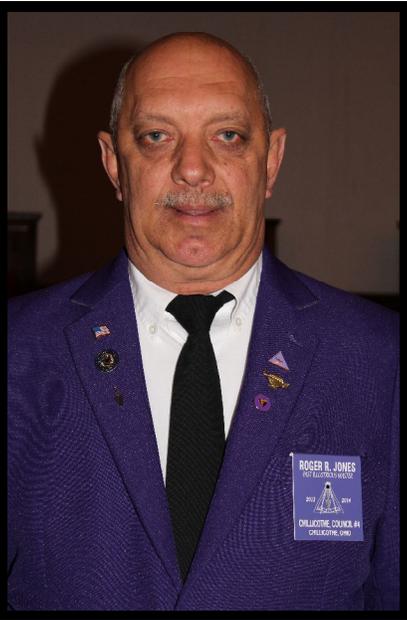
Worshipful Brother William Bennett
Secretary

Chillicothe York Rite Bodies had 24 Companion and Sir Knight whose 2018 dues that were in arrears. Scioto Lodge #6 had 65 Brethren whose dues were delinquent. Before I sent out the new notices I cross referenced the delinquent list with dues deposits in an effort to avoid sending a notice to someone who had actually paid their dues. There were at least five Brethren and Chillicothe York Rite member who unfortunately I missed and I apologize for that oversight.

Dues notices for Chillicothe York Rite Bodies for 2020 will be processed and mail the second week in May. If you are in arrears for 2018 and 2019 dues for those two years is \$172.00. It is my hope that those Companion and Sir Knights will weight in on the options that are open to them.

NOTE: The contact information sheets will be included with each mailing. **IF there are no changes to your contact information, please write "NO CHANGE" on the sheet and return with your dues payment.**

Chillicothe Council #4 Royal and Select Masons to Consider By-Law Change



At the Stated Assembly on May 15, 2018 a temporary move by Chillicothe Council #4 Royal and Select Masons moved its Stated Assembly from the third Tuesday to the second Tuesday following the Stated Convocation of Chillicothe Chapter #4 R.A.M. This arrangement was to last for one year until Chillicothe Council would take up the question as to whether to make the move permanent, at which time a By-Law language change would be debated and presented to the Companions and to submit the change to Grand Council of Ohio R. & S.M. for approval.

On Tuesday, May 14, 2019 Illustrious Master Roger Ray Jones will pose the issue before the Companions. If the majority of Companions in attendance approve the move a revised By-Law Change will be forwarded to Grand Council for their approval.

Background on the proposal:

Illustrious Companion David V. Medert open conversation on the concept of Chillicothe Council #4 Royal and Select Masons meeting on the same Tuesday as Chillicothe Chapter #4 R.A.M. (following that York Rite Bodies' meeting). His thoughts were that it would facilitate one less meeting per month especially since the same Companions attend both meeting with few exceptions.

Illustrious Companion Medert moved that Chillicothe Council #4 Royal and Select Masons initiate the change for a one year period before enacting any By-Law Change. Illustrious Companion Michael L. Hines seconded the motion and the motion carried. Notification of such change will be directed to the Grand Council of Ohio R. & S.M. and Sixth Cryptic Arch.

Notification to all Companions were published in the 2018 September/October issue of "The Trestle Board".

From the Seventh Masonic District VA Representative

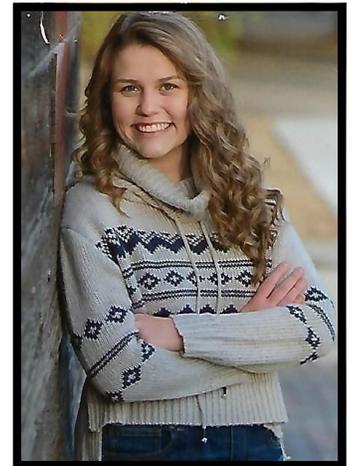
On my visit with Ms. Heather Murphy, Chief of Voluntary Services at the Veterans' Administration Hospital we discussed the need of the incoming veterans of which there are about thirty a month on average. These veterans are often in need of personal hygiene supplies such as 16 oz bottles of shampoo, toothpaste, tooth brushes, hair brush or combs, Gold Bond foot power, tissues, deodorant, socks, personal body wash, lip gloss, hand cream or other skin care items are welcome. When veterans arrive on campus they have to walk to several buildings to complete their registration requirements, checkups and other administrative tasks. This is regardless of weather so a light weight poncho or mini umbrellas are very handy for them. These items can easily be place in "Ditty Bags" and presented to veterans. **No razors, glass bottle products, mouthwash that is alcohol based or hand sanitizer.** Thank you, William Bennett, Representative

2019 Scioto Lodge #6 Scholarship Recipients



Ms, Katelin Paige Alego a senior at Paint Valley High School graduating with a 3.911 GPA and ranking 14th in her class of 79 was selected as one of the recipients to receive Scioto Lodge #6 Scholarship. She plans to pursue a Bachelor of Science in Nursing at Kettering College. Katelin is the granddaughter of Brother Dale P. Skaggs. She will be following in the footsteps of her mother who also is in the nursing field.

Abigail McDonald, a student at Logan Elm High School sixteenth in her class of 167 students and graduating with a 3.809 GPA plans to attend Ashland University in Ashland, Ohio where she plans to obtain a Bachelor of Science in Social Work with a minor in Spanish. Abigail recognizes that forty-one million native speakers live in the United States. Abigail is the granddaughter of Worshipful Brother Everett Sheets.



Emily Loretta Schafer the daughter of Brother James F. Schafer, will be graduating from Chillicothe High School with a 4.558 GPA and is ranked 6th in her class of 213. Accepted at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. Emily has an outreach that includes the Humane Society, Mighty Children's Museum, Adena Mansion and Gardens, Tri-M Blood Drives, Keys to Success. She is the section leader in the Symphonic Choir. She dons the character of The Cavalier as the school Mascot. She has worked at a local food service business where she says the lessons of hard work, humility, and people skills has definitely made her a better leader.

Caleb Logan Smith was not only a member of Paint Valley High School class of 79 students and ranked number one in his class, but also took undergraduate courses in Algebra, Calculus I and II and Introduction to Statistics at Ohio University Chillicothe in 2017 and 2018. His professor noted that Caleb earned nearly perfect grades in all four classes. He observed that he had to remind himself that Caleb was still a high school student indicating that the way the high school student carried himself and his attitude toward academic achievement would put some college juniors and seniors to shame. Caleb will begin studies at Case Western Reserve University.



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The Lighter Side and the Serious Side of Things

All men make mistakes, but married men find out sooner...Brother Red Skelton

Masonic Lecture

A policeman stops him and asks him, "where do you think you're going in that condition?" "I'm on my way to a lecture on Freemasonry," the man slurred.

"Where can you possibly get a lecture on Freemasonry at this time of night?" the officer asks.

"From my wife, when I get home!"

Tell Him Now!

If with pleasure, you view any work that a man is doing; If you like him, or you love him, tell him now.

Don't withhold your approbation 'til the parson makes oration And he lies with snowy lilies o'er his brow.

For no matter how you show it, he won't really care about it; He won't know how many tears you have shed. If you think some praise is due him, Now's the time to slip it to him,

For he cannot read his tombstone when he's dead!

1. The 2019 Scholarship Award Recipients Applications are in the Office of the Secretary for your review and reading pleasure.
2. Brethren, Companions and Sir Knight of the Chillicothe Masonic Bodies for the purpose of improving yourself in ritualistic work, books may be purchase through the Office of the Secretary.
3. Scioto Lodge #6 approved an order for more Challenge Coins and Lapel pins. The Coins have arrive and the lapel pins will be shipped April 23rd
4. Degree work is progressing for our waiting candidates in the Entered Apprentice. Fellow Craft and Master Mason Degrees.
5. Brethren are needed to participate in the second section of the Master Mason Degree to work on the Craft Team. There is no ritual memorization required but to put on a nice degree at least 12 Master Mason are needed to fill out this team. Please consider being available.