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ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTION OF OFFICERS

November 2, 2021

The election of officers for Scioto Lodge #6 was held at its Annual Meeting on Tuesday, November 2, 2021. The following Brothers were elected:

Worshipful Master:	Steven Ray Grant
Senior Warden:	Eugene L. Hardman
Junior Warden:	Byron Keith Greene
Treasurer	William E. Landrum, Past Master
Secretary	David V. MedertPM
Senior Deacon:	Tarrell Anthony Fairrow
Junior Deacon:	Michael C. Smallwood
Tyler:	Joseph A. Clarke

Appointments:

Harold C. Ramsey, Jr.:	Lodge Education Officer
Michael A. Ash:	Chaplain

The offices of Senior Steward and Junior Steward have yet to be appointed.

Past Master's Convocation

Orient Lodge #321,

Saturday, December 4, 2021

All Masters-elect are required to attend this meeting. Breakfast will be served at 8:00 am with the meeting opening at 9:00 am. Right Worshipful Brother Mark F. Allman and Right Worshipful Brother Aaron Buckler will spearhead the Past Master's Convocation.

The District Education Officers will conduct a session for the Lodge Education Officers and other vital members in the dining room beginning at 9:00 am.

November 2021

	1	2	3	4	5	6
		Scioto Lodge #6 Stated Mtg. 7:30		Ionic Lodge #6 Stated Mtg. 7:30pm		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
		Chillicothe Chapter #4 7:30 pm Chillicothe Council #4	Eastern Star Chapter #419 Stated Mtg. 7:30 pm			
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
				Scioto Lodge #6 and Ionic #6, Stated Mtg.		Annual In- spection in MEM. Circle- ville Lodge at 2:00pm.
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
		Chillicothe Commandery #8 7:30 pm		Happy Thanksgiving		
28	29	30				
	Allied Masonic Degree Meeting. 6:30 p.m.					

December 2021

			1	2	3	4
				Ionic Lodge #6 Stated Mtg. 7:30pm		Past Master Convocation Orient Lodge #321 8:00 am
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	Open installation of Officers for Scioto #6. 7:00pm. Social hour 6:00pm	Scioto Lodge #6 Stated Mtg. 7:30	Eastern Star Chapter #419 Stated Mtg. 7:30 pm			
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		Council #4 In- spection RM. 7:00 p.m. Chapter #4 imme- diately following		Scioto Lodge #6 and Ionic #6, Stated Mtg.		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	Christmas Social 7:00 pm					Merry Christmas
26	27	28	29	30	31	
		Chillicothe Commandery #8 7:30 pm				

Dues Payment Using Grandview

AUGUST 2021

Most Worshipful Brother Keith W. Newton, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons sent this message to all Secretary's in the State of Ohio. I, as Secretary of Scioto Lodge #6 am bringing it to the attention of all Brethren of Scioto Lodge #6. Perhaps you, like me, its something new and, as the adage goes, it is like teaching and old dog new tricks—but it is doable, it just takes time to get reacquainted with a new procedure.

The Member Dues Management program has completed final testing and is now ready for use. Membership Renewal email notices will begin going out today (August 10, 2021). All members with email addresses in Grand View will receive their email Member Renewal notice over the next 3 days. Emailing will be sent in groups to reduce the demand on our [Grand Lodge] system.

The credit card payment option is available and tested. Pay your dues and make Charitable donations on your credit card from your Grand View member account. When paying by credit card, if you choose to "Print Receipt", the print option can be found within your browser's toolbar. (there is no Print button on the receipt)

If you elect to mail or hand deliver your dues payment to your lodge, select the "Print Dues Notice" button and include it with your payment to your Lodge Secretary. Please let us know if you encounter any issues.

Log into your Grand View account to Renew your dues TODAY!

Feel free to share with your members as you like.

Keith W. Newton, Grand Secretary

Honor Flights for Veterans



In August 2021 the new Grand Worthy Advisor, Micaela Leach, International Order of Rainbow for Girls announced a new statewide service project. This year Rainbow Girls across Ohio are collecting donations for Ohio Honor Flights. The program works to fly American veterans to Washington D.C. to visit the war memorials and to connect with other war veterans.

The Girls of Ohio Valley Assembly #209 have made blankets for veteran goodie bags and have volunteered to greet Honor Flights returning to Port Columbus. At the airport they will serve as escorts for veterans as they return home from Washington D.C. Each veteran will be presented with a welcome home bag of goodies, will walk through a welcoming rally, and then be reunited with their families. All Rainbow Assemblies in Ohio have been challenged to collect \$250. If the assemblies reach their goal they will raise \$10,000 to fund veteran trips. Please consider making a donation to this service project, there is a donation container at the Chillicothe Masonic Temple. You may make a contribution by cash or check. Checks should be made payable to Ohio Valley Rainbow Assembly #209. All donations will be forwarded to the Ohio Rainbow for Girls. Please write Honor Flight on the memo line of your check.

Note from Worshipful Brother James Fritz Schafer



When my wife Victoria died tragically on September 2, 2019 my world was shattered. It was very difficult for me to get out of bed in the morning, or even sleep at all for that matter. But, with four teenagers, and my Financial Services business, I had obligations that I had to attend to. One of the first things I did was to attend our Lodge's next stated meeting and resumed my duties as the Junior Warden at that time. Since that time, as I moved up to Senior Warden and then on to Worshipful Master, at every lodge function and with every interaction with my brothers I felt the three great tenants of our profession of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth from every single member of our Lodge and members of other Lodges as well.

For that I will be forever grateful. It has been a privilege and an honor, and it has meant more to me than I could ever articulate. Thank you all!

WM James Fritz Schafer

CHILLICOTHE CHAPTER #4 ROYAL ARCH MASONS

On Sunday 12 December 2021, Chillicothe Chapter #4 will be celebrating its 200th birthday! Ironically, the Chapter was granted its Charter from the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Ohio on 12 December 1821.

Most Excellent Companion Rodney Carr, and the Grand Chapter family will be here to help us celebrate this historical event. The Re-consecration will commence at 2:00 p.m. in the Red Room of the Masonic Temple. Guests are welcomed and encouraged to attend. This is an excellent opportunity for those who have yet to become member, to witness one of the most time honored events in Freemasonry.

Loss Communications

The Office of the Secretary has lost communications with the following Brethren—Last known address:

- Terry Clyde Arthur—8619 Vast Rose Drive Columbus, Ohio 21045-5966
- Lewis William Coppel—5435 Morse Road Columbus, Ohio 43230-3573

Seventh Masonic District Association

September 18, 2021

The Seventh Masonic District Association comprised of the five county area of Highland, Ross, Pike, Scioto and Adams Counties and is home to sixteen Masonic Lodges, held its annual meeting at Lucasville Lodge #465. Among the items of business addressed was the annual election of officers. Worshipful Brother Kenneth Horsley was elected President, Worshipful Brother Eric Williams became the First Vice President, Worshipful Brother Roger Ray Jones was elected the Second Vice President. Worshipful Brother Jason Throckmorton was re-elected the Secretary-Treasurer. Joining the Trustees Roster was Worshipful Brother William Denton for a three year term, Worshipful Brother Ed Moore a two year term and Worshipful Brother Michael L. Hines a three year term. Right Worshipful Brother R. Joseph Shilling continues as Chaplain,

Changes by Worshipful Brother William Bennett

During the annual election of officers I chose to step down from the office of Secretary for Scioto Lodge #6 Free and Accepted Masons of Ohio, this after serving my lodge in that capacity for 32 years. I appreciate the support of most of the members of the lodge who have assisted me in many avenues through out that time. It was one of those career moves in the administration of the Chillicothe Masonic Lodge whose time had come and that service brought me much pleasure. I will served as the Assistant Secretary and continue to served both the Lodge and the newly elected Secretary, Right Worshipful Brother David V. Medert who was elected secretary.

Thank You
William Bennett

Seventh Masonic District Association Veterans' Representative By Worshipful Brother William Bennett

Brethren of the Seventh Masonic District

I had a telephone conversation with Ms. Jamie Russell of the Volunteer Staff at the Campus of the Veterans' Administration Hospital. In our communication we discussed the future of resuming activities and interaction with the resident veterans. In April of 2021 arrangements pertaining to family visitations were pretty restrictive in that visitors could only be on campus for once weekly 20 minute sessions and the only after being tested for COVID-19. She indicated that became problematic and therefore was suspended. We discussed the resumption of on campus Bingo events hosted by the Seventh Masonic District Association, she indicated the earliest date anything could be anticipated was Sunday, July 3, 2022. Jamie did indicate that any Masonic Lodge that wished to donate snacks which could be distributed to the residence could do so but would have to make a prior appointment to bring items to Building #9. That is the latest news regarding VA activities

GRAND RECEPTION—RAINBOW



Districts 9, 12, 20 and 27 of the International Order of Rainbow for Girl held a Grand Reception at the Chillicothe Masonic Temple Saturday, November 20, 2021 at 5:00 pm. Ms. Micaela Leach, Grand Worthy Advisor was in attendance.

Ms. Leach has adopted the ***Honor Flight for Veterans*** as her focused project during her year as Grand Worthy Advisor. Scioto Lodge #6 collected \$89.00 at a stated meeting in October. Collections are still being taken and a jar is on the Registra-

tion table in the ante room outside the Blue Room.

Christmas Social at the Lodge



Mark your calendar for **Monday, December 20, 2021**. Worshipful Brother Steven Ray Grant. Worshipful Master announced a Christmas Social would be hosted. The event will begin at 6:00 pm. He indicated the main course of baked ham would be complimented with carry-in side dishes and desserts provided by the Brethren and their ladies. Ice Tea, Lemonade and coffee will be provided. The event would be held in the Moll Dining Room on the fourth floor. No reservations are required. The recreation room will be available for use as well with cards, billiards and conversations

Chillicothe Chapter #4, Circleville Chapter #20 and Trowel Chapter #70 participated in conferring the Most Excellent Master Degree on Saturday, November 20, 2021 in Circleville, Ohio. The event went well and the candidate Darrell Palmer received excellent degree work. Other upcoming inspections are LaGrange Chapter #68 in Ironton, Ohio on December 7, 2021 at 7:00 pm, Hillsboro Chapter #10 on Thursday, December 9, 2021 in Hillsboro Ohio at 7:30 pm, and Mt. Vernon Chapter #23 in Portsmouth, Ohio on March 23, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

The **Beyond the Barn 4-H Club** wrote Scioto Lodge #6 a thank you note saying, "Thank you for making the Ross County Junior Fair Night so memorable. The evening was so enjoyable and that they truly appreciate the sponsorship of Scioto Lodge #6.

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Inspections for the Seventh Masonic District will conclude February 26, 2021. The following schedule has been establish.

January 7th

Highland Lodge #38 E.A.° 7:00 pm

January 8th

Scioto Lodge #6 M.M.° 6:00 pm

January 14th

Frankfort Lodge #309 F.C.° 7:00 pm

January 15th

Seventh Masonic District Mtg. 4:00 pm

January 15th

Rome Lodge #535 M.M.° 6:00 pm

January 21st

Manchester Lodge #317 E.A.° 7:00 pm

January 22nd

Lynchburg Lodge #178 M.M.° 6:00 pm

January 28th

Western Sun Lodge #91 F.C.° 6:00 pm

February 5th

Lucasville Lodge #465 M.M.° 3:00 pm

February 11th

Aurora Lodge #48 F.C.° 7:00 pm

February 12th

Bainbridge Lodge #196 M.M.° 6:00 pm

February 18th

Orient Lodge #321 E.A.° 7:00 pm

February 19th

West Union Lodge #43 F.C.° 3:00 pm

February 19th

Winchester Lodge #236 M.M.° 6:00 pm

February 25th

Nauvoo Lodge #769 F.C.° 7:00 pm

February 26th

Leesburg Lodge #78 M.M.° 6:00 pm